



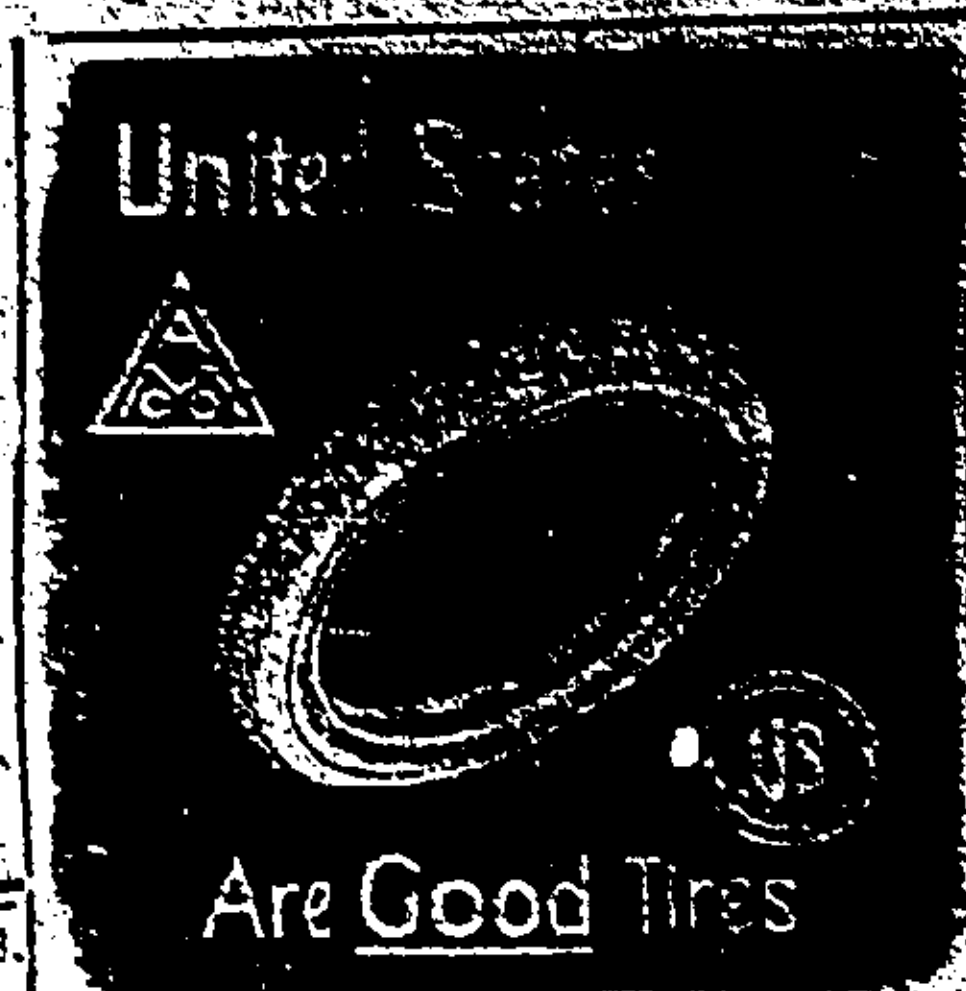
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EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

THE SHANGHAI SCHOOL STRIKE.

Shanghai, December 7.
The four days strike of the schools is over. Ten thousand taels worth of damage has been done in the Chinese City to merchants handling Japanese goods. Shop raiding continued on Saturday but the situation is quiet this morning. The resumption of classes is expected to-morrow. The leaders, interviewed, assert that the anti-Japanese boycott has been successful.

CHINESE EDITOR FINED.

Shanghai, December 7.
A Chinese editor has been fined for a breach of the peace in the French Settlement by publishing articles alleging that the coolies recruited by the French authorities had been harshly treated. The editor had also attacked Wang Yi-tang.

GENERAL GAIDA TO SPEAK.

Shanghai, December 7.
General Gaida is to be the chief speaker at a tiffin for American ex-soldiers on Monday.

CHINESE PLAYGROUND OPENED.

Shanghai, December 7.
The first playground for Chinese children was opened to-day. The Cantonese community supplying the funds.

LONDON TO AUSTRALIA FLIGHT.

Shanghai, December 6.
In continuation of the England to Australia flight Captain Ross Smith, M.C., D.F.C., A.F.C., left here about 5.30 this morning for Kalidjat. His next stopping places will probably be Soerabaya, Sumbawa and Timor.

SHANGHAI CHAMPIONS.

Shanghai, December 7.
Litigation has commenced in the French Mixed Court over the prize (\$84,000) won in the recent "Champions" Sweepstake. An amah is suing the winner (another amah). No decision has been given yet. The hearing will be resumed on Tuesday.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

GOVERNMENT SALARIES.

London, Dec. 2.
In the House of Commons, replying to the Hon. Gideon Murray, Col. Amery said the Colonies where the revision of salaries was actually taking place included Nigeria and the other West African Colonies. Temporary increases by bonuses had been given the East African Protectorates. The question was also being considered for the Straits Settlements, Malay States, Ceylon, Hongkong, Wei-Hai-Wei, Mauritius, Saint Helena, Cyprus, and Gibraltar. He added that most cases had been granted, pending revision.

THE NEW SERBIA.

Paris, Dec. 3.
Prince Alexander of Serbia, now at Paris, has made a statement for the press. Serbia remains faithful to her friends and desires to execute loyally her obligations but the new Kingdom of Serbs, Croats and Slovenes must not be required to sign any engagement relating to reparations. If the new kingdom is to be a useful member of the League of Nations the principle that no one can be held to do what is impossible must be admitted.—Havas.

ALLIED NOTE TO GERMANY.

Paris, Dec. 3.
French circles state that the Allies' note to Germany must be regarded as an ultimatum to be followed by a renewal of the blockade and more drastic action. The Allied nations cannot tolerate any compromise on the repatriation of German prisoners of war and the treacherous scuttling of the German fleet at Scapa Flow.—Havas.

COAL SHORTAGE IN FRANCE.

Paris, Dec. 2.
A rumour is circulating in French railway circles that if the crisis becomes worse France will be compelled to temporarily suppress all passenger train services. The matter at present is the subject of careful study being an extreme measure to be enforced if lack of coal becomes almost complete.—Havas.

RECENT WAR THEATRES.

London, Dec. 2.
In the House of Commons at question time Mr. James Hope, for the Ministry of Munitions stated that it was impossible to give an assurance that no troops or Chinese labourers would be required in the recent war theatres after the end of next April.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

CONFERENCE WITH BOLSHEVYKS.

Copenhagen, Dec. 2.
The prospect of a speedy termination of the conference between Mr. O'Grady and M. Litvinoff is not bright owing to the far-reaching character of Litvinoff's demands. His objective is apparently the removal of the blockade concerning which the British Government will presumably consider it necessary to consult the Allies. The Conference has reached a deadlock until the British Government has reached a decision and communicated its instructions to Mr. O'Grady. The question of peace must almost inevitably have to come up at least indirectly in the discussions between Mr. O'Grady and M. Litvinoff, for peace is involved in the blockade question but Reuter understands that the subject has hitherto not been formally raised by Litvinoff.

DYSENTERY INOCULATION.

Paris, Dec. 4.
Dr. Kabechima, of the Japanese Navy, delivered a lecture to the Academy of Science describing the discovery of a new method of inoculation against dysentery, resulting from Shiga bacillus experiments on rabbits. The method invariably gave immunity five days after injection.

Paris, Dec. 3.
At the French Academy of Science it was stated that a Japanese naval doctor named Kabechima has discovered a new vaccine for dysentery—Havas.

AUSTRALIAN LABOUR.

Melbourne, Dec. 2.
The northern coal miners have halted in favour of a six hour working day and the abolition of the contract system. The Government has accepted the Board of Trade's estimate of a living wage at seventy-seven shillings a week which means an additional payment of two and a half millions annually for State employees. The Government has dropped the Children's Maintenance Bill owing to vital amendments introduced in the Legislative Council.

CHINESE OPIUM DENS.

OVER 70 ARRESTS AT LIVERPOOL.

Raid on an extensive scale by the Liverpool police in Chinatown, have once again called attention to this tucked-away region near the docks, where in spite of the utmost vigilance opium smoking and gambling go on far into the night.

Chinatown is an unknown land to nine out of every ten Liverpudlians. They know there is such a place, but they do not worry their heads about it, except when, as now, some action of the police, or some tribal brawl throws the strong light of publicity on this sombre-looking locality, the rendezvous of Chinese seamen, always coming and going in a great port like this, and yellow-skinned laundrymen who, working hard through the day in various suburbs, wander into Chinatown in the evening for a little recreation.

Here they have their own language, come into touch with some of their national customs, and—the greatest lure of all—get a draw at an opium pipe and a flutter at fan-tan or some other of the many games of chance beloved of the Celestial.

Their little colony is conducted by the Chinamen with greatest secrecy, and so long as they live within the law the authorities never seek to interfere. But a constant supply of opium is the colony's primary need, and many and clever are the artificers resorted to in order to smuggle it in.

Detection is always punished severely, but smuggling goes on, and there is always enough of the drug to supply the needs of its devotees.

The fact that 120 police officers took part in this raid, that twenty shops were suddenly swept into, and that seventy Chinamen were arrested, is some indication of the thoroughness with which the authorities are keeping an eye on this little patch of the Far East, lying near the Mersey and surrounded by all the hum and bustle of the great port.

The prisoners were brought before the deputy stipendiary later. There were charges of being in unlawful possession of opium or pipes, and of frequenting premises for the purpose of opium smoking.

Opium pipes and other paraphernalia, with tins and packages of opium, were produced in court.

The tenant of one house, who was charged with being in possession of opium, was, according to a police witness, standing near the bed weighing out opium and

OBITUARY.

REV. FATHER GABARDI.

During the benediction at the St. Joseph's Church yesterday, the death was announced of Rev. Father Gabardi.

Rev. Father Gabardi had been in Hongkong for over twenty years, and his death is a great loss to the Catholic community, amongst whom he was extremely popular. His demise is felt by everybody, and the news which was received yesterday by cable from Milan was a surprise to all.

Father Gabardi three years ago left Hongkong to recuperate his health in Italy. He was suffering from acute nervous breakdown, and hopes of seeing him return to his field of labour here were most commonly shared. During the twenty years that he spent in this Colony he had been away only twice, once previously when he had to go to Italy to take rest. Father Gabardi was about 50 years old.

Later information shows that the news of Fr. Gabardi's death was received by Bishop Pozzani, in a telegram from Italy, to the effect that the deceased passed away on the 5th instant in the hospital of Subiasco, in the province of Como.

The late Father Gabardi was Rector of the Catholic Cathedral in Hongkong for more than twenty years and was very much liked and esteemed by the Catholics, especially by the Portuguese community whose interests he had always at heart and whose language he studied as soon as he arrived here. The deceased had been suffering for several months, being paralysed in both arms and legs. A Requiem Mass for the repose of his soul will be sung at the Cathedral on Friday, the 12th instant, at 7.30 a.m. Bishop Pozzani expects all Catholics, especially the members of the Portuguese community, to attend the service, not only in order to succour the soul of the deceased but also as a manifestation of esteem towards him.

making it up into packages. He said, "I am a smoker. I am ill and cannot do without it."

The deputy stipendiary said it must not be supposed he wanted to run tilt against all these men or smoking opium, but the law was against them.

One of the accused, the occupier of the house in which there was a particularly large quantity of opium, was fined £100. Nine others, all occupants, were fined £50 each, and 15 more, some of the premises, were fined £20 each.

LOCAL STEAMER WRECKED.

HEAVY LOSS OF LIFE.

FOUR OTHER VESSELS REPORTED AGROUND.

Shipping circles have been quite disturbed to-day by the receipt of the news that the s.s. Lienshing, which left Hongkong on November 27 for Saigon, has been wrecked down the coast. In addition to this, there are many rumours going around that no fewer than four ships are stranded on the Paracels Reef, but all that can be definitely ascertained at present is that the Lienshing has been wrecked with great loss of life. The facts are these—

On November 27, the vessel left Hongkong carrying 390 coolies, which, together with the officers and crew, brought up the total number of lives on board to 415. She had 1,600 tons of cargo on board, composed of cement, iron and general cargo. Her skipper is Capt. W. Cullen and her Chief Engineer Mr. J. R. Chapman. She also carries two other European officers (one of whom is Mr. C. Leys) and two engineers. The Second Engineer is Mr. H. Barber, whilst another engineer, travelling as a passenger, is Mr. Alexander McMillan. This brings up the total number of Europeans on board to seven. No news was received of her until this morning, when her owners, the Nam Yuen Company, Rics Merchants, of Wing Lok Street, received a telegram from their Saigon agents saying that they had had information from the Government of Saigon to the effect that the ship was wrecked on November 30, near Ying Hung Tai Fat, on the mainland, and that there had been only 37 survivors.

This would give a death roll of 378, and it is not known whether any of the European officers are among the number saved. Information is still very incomplete and further enquiries are being telegraphically made.

With regard to the other rumours, there is a great deal of uncertainty. They arise from the fact that the Captain of the s.s. Cheungchow, a B. and S. boat, reported when he arrived yesterday that he had had information from a French Mail boat that

THE DISSATISFIED POLICE.

OUR LATEST INFORMATION.

With regard to the situation which has arisen concerning the pay of the new Police recruits from Home, we hear that on Saturday there was an interchange of views between the Government and the men affected.

We also hear that of the thirty men whose cases are under consideration no fewer than 26 of them have intimated their willingness to go home, unless some revision of pay takes place. Three of the remaining four men are sick now and have not been consulted, whilst apparently one man has expressed his satisfaction with things as they are.

This afternoon we made repeated attempts to get into touch with the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, the C. S. P., in order to verify these reports, but up to nearly three o'clock were unable to do so.

four ships had been sighted on the Paracels Reef. One of them was a three-masted ship.

This has given rise to conjectures as to the safety of the s.s. Phenomenon, a well-known three-masted ship sailing from Hongkong. Her skipper is Captain Hamilton. Her Chinese owners, interviewed this morning, said that they had heard nothing of her, but did not yet expect to, as she only left Saigon on the 4th, and was not yet expected. In fact, it would hardly be possible for her to be on the Reef when reported, as it would take her three days to steam to such a point.

The Nam Wo, a wooden vessel, is mentioned as being likely to be one of the other boats, for she was expected to be in this region at about that time. All that one can ascertain constitutes rumours rather than facts.

Among the other boats rumoured to be on the Paracels is the Derawongse (Capt. Shearer), whose owners are the Kwong Yung Seng. She left Hongkong for Saigon on November 26, with 900 tons of cargo.

There was some anxiety being felt for the safety of the Shun Tak, but she has now arrived, having taken a fortnight to do her trip.

TODAY'S EXCHANGE.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 5s/11½d.

NEW HOSTEL.

OPENING TO-DAY.

This afternoon, H. E. the Governor is opening the new Hostel building at St. Paul's College.

The new Hostel fronts on Upper Albert Road to the west of Government House, and is built on the site formerly occupied by the buildings known as College Garden. It is a handsome structure very substantially built of red bricks, with reinforced concrete floors and flat roof. The Hostel has a magnificent aspect, is three stories high, 144 feet long by 57 feet wide, covering an area of 8,200 square feet. There are altogether 48 large rooms and several smaller ones.

The ground floor contains 8 bedrooms all facing north, large dining, library and common rooms, together with a wide corridor.

The first floor contains a small sitting room for the staff, 15 bedrooms facing north and south, washing room, two halls and a wide corridor.

The top floor has been built as two self-contained flats. The architect was Mr. A. P. Samy, and the contractors Mr. Lam Woo and his brother.

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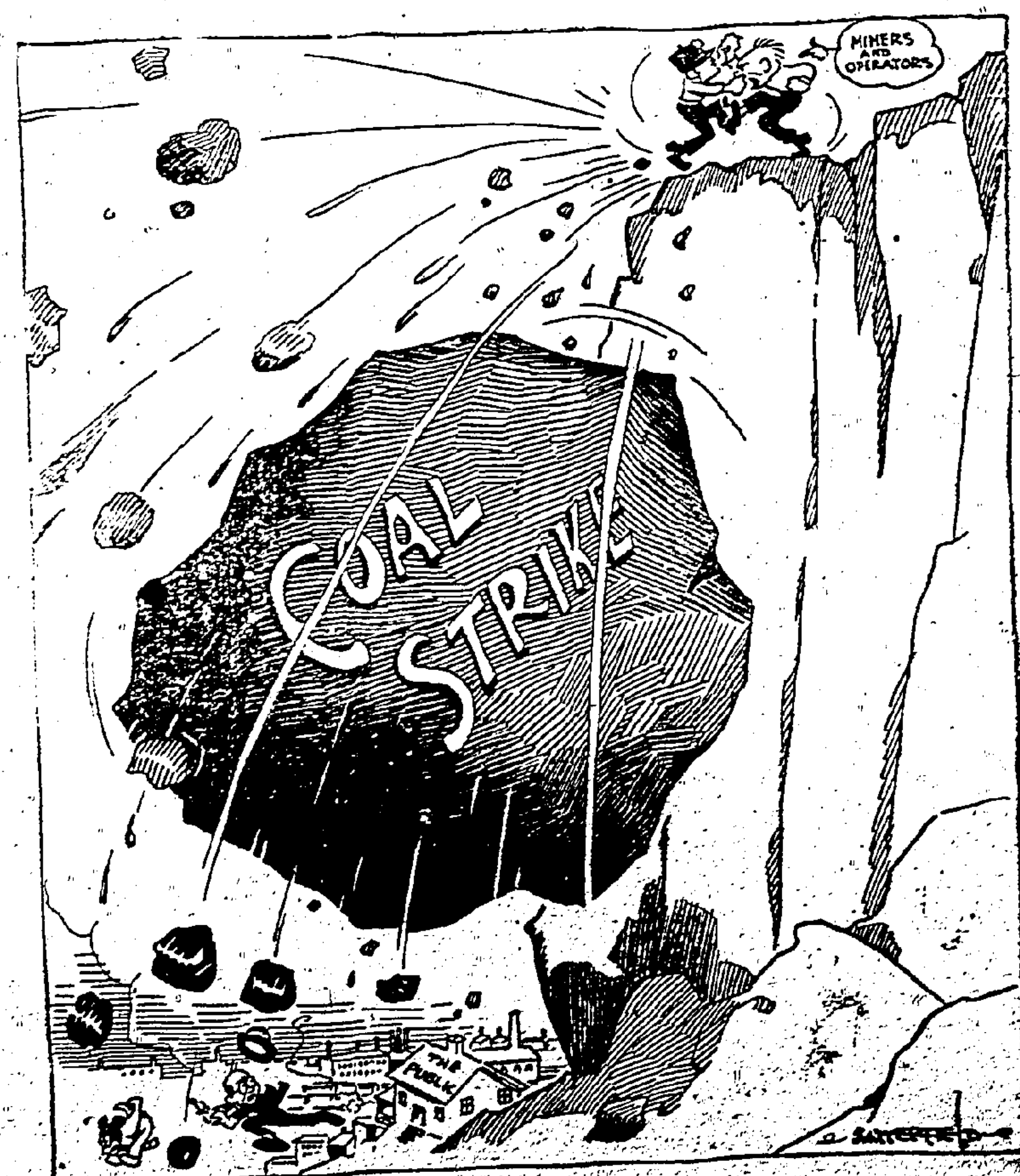
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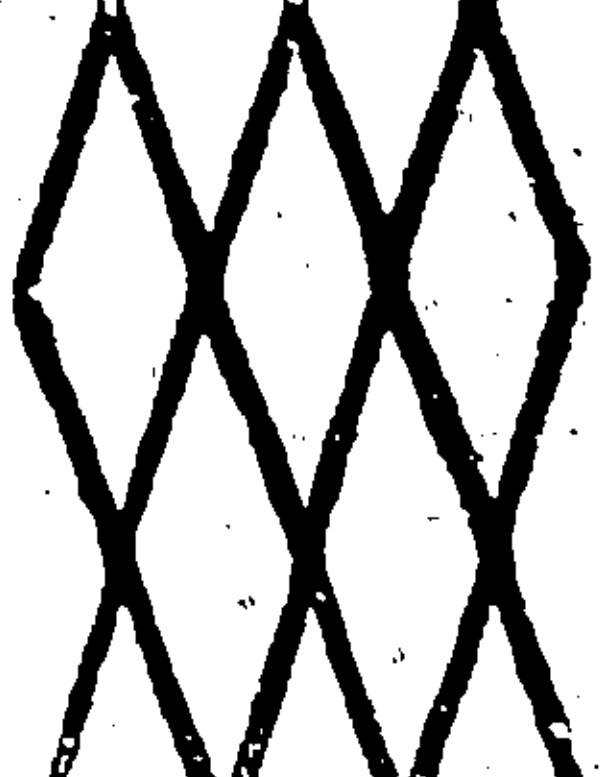
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END OF THE WORLD.

LOCAL PASTOR'S SERMON.

In his sermon at Union Church last evening the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald, the pastor, dealt with recent alarming prophecies with regard to the unusual conjunction of the planets which will occur on December 17. Taking as his text:-

"Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for these things, give diligence that ye may be found in peace, without spot, and blameless in His sight," he said:-

"These things" are the passing away of the heavens and the earth and the appearance of "a new heaven and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness." The writer is alluding to the expectation of a day in which "the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, and the earth and all the works that are therein shall be burned up."

That is a very ancient and a very widespread expectation respecting the end of the world, though just how it arose might be hard to surmise. Believing the world to have been created we inevitably contemplate, I suppose, the possibility of its being sometime destroyed. The universe which has been brought into existence may also, it would seem, be put out of existence; or, to express it in another and better way, the Creator may bring to an end this present manifestation of His glory and replace it by some other. The 102nd Psalm puts the thought with fine dignity: (V. 25-26).

"Of old hast Thou laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of Thy Hands. They shall perish, but Thou shalt endure. Yea all of them shall wax old like a garment: As a vesture shalt Thou change them, and they shall be changed. But Thou art the same, and Thy years shall have no end."

The epistle to the Hebrews cites those verses at its outset, and the thought is very appropriate to that treatise, the object of which was to prepare Jewish Christians for the inevitable passing away of the Mosaic system of law and ordinances in order that the new order in Christ should replace them.

Here in Peter we have an extension of the same idea. Not simply is the Mosaic system to be ended, the whole earth and heavens are to be destroyed. That expected destruction however does not end everything: it is precedent to a reconstruction or rather a recreation in nobler form—that "heaven and earth wherein dwelleth righteousness," which human eyes have not yet seen, but which human hearts cannot cease to long for.

How far the writer had in mind the literal physical destruction or transformation of this material world is a matter I should not care to dogmatise about. If his expectations were literal they were by no means unreasonable. Such a finale to our solar system is undoubtedly a possibility. Millions of stars are rushing through space, and if our sun, which is one of their number, were to collide with one of them the elements would certainly "melt with fervent heat," and our earth and her sister planets would be dissolved out of their present condition. That is not to say that such a catastrophe is a thing to be expected any day. There are indeed millions of stars rushing through space, but space affords them abundant room. Our sun's nearest neighbour is at such a distance that light from it takes 4 1/4 years to cross the abyss which separates them, and our next neighbour beyond is perhaps twice that in conceivable distance removed.

Our sun and his attendant train have pursued their journey through space for perhaps hundreds of millions of years at a speed of some 18 miles a second in safety, and they may do so still for an indefinite period. But the possibility of a collision does exist. There is much ground for thinking that such catastrophes do occur from time to time away in the abyssal depths of space. Occasionally we hear of some "new star" as we say, becoming visible, very faint at first, then gradually increasing in brightness till in some cases it becomes the most brilliant object in the midnight sky.

After a short career of glory the new luminary begins to fall away and after a short time disappears from view leaving no trace visible to us behind it. What these temporary stars are cannot as yet be told with certainty, but quite a likely conjecture is that the outbreak reveals to us a collision between two of the heavenly bodies. One or both of them may have been cold and dark like our

own earth, and the blaze into luminosity would be caused by the heat resulting from the tremendous impact when the two rushed together.

Our world may at some time end in that way; sometimes thoughtful people are in a mood to wish it might do so soon. Looking at this world and the course of biological evolution upon it the late F. H. Huxley, as will be remembered, said one could almost wish for a "kindly comet" to sweep the whole affair away. If the late war were the highest expression of our civilization one could echo the wish without qualification. If the choice lay between a future of Hunnishness and sudden extinction by cosmic catastrophe one could but say like King David of old that it is better to fall into the hand of God than into the hand of man.

Hunishness however has been "downed" and in spite of all the trouble its outbreak has left behind we may go on hoping for a continued lease of life in which our race will take one further upward step in its struggle for existence but for worthiness to exist which is the real warfare appointed to man upon the earth.

If it even should be the lot of our world to end its career amid "the wreck of matter and the crush of worlds" we can be sure it will not be by the instrumentality of any comet. From the earliest times comets have been the innocent cause of dread foreboding and even frantic perturbation in the minds of men, but in reality they are very harmless bodies—if indeed it is not almost misleading to use such a term as body at all about them, so little solid do they possess. Yet even to this day the public never hears of the approach of a comet of any distinction without the stirring up of a mass of silly apprehensions which are really quite unworthy of the age. I remember as a boy—I think about 1874 or 1875 would be the date—the consternation which was widely excited by announcements of the end of the world, which was to be destroyed by an expected comet on a given date.

Some years in our village on the night of the great event sent up a big kite with a lump of peat soaked in naphthalene, its tail, and called out the inhabitants to view the oncoming foe! One or two poor creatures, I am ashamed to say, were actually terrified for the few minutes the blaze lasted. I have lived through quite a number of similar scares since then, none of them more respectable. Even so lately as the last appearance of Halley's comet a vast amount of nonsense was put about, not perhaps as an expected destruction of the earth, but certainly as to the possible poisoning of its in-

habitants by the cyanogen gas which some spectroscopist was said to have detected in its tail.

I don't know what happened here but in both Paris and New York there were people who actually sat up all night, and drank what they called "cyanogen cocktails" as a protection, and some of them at least were really alarmed.

At the present time a great many people are more or less disturbed about a very definite prophecy, not exactly of the end of the world, but of very terrible phenomena on December 17th and afterwards.

The source of the prophecy is an American professor whose name I do not happen to have seen but this gentleman may or may not be a distinguished man in his own line. I do not know what he has ventured in the field of prediction farther than the present state of knowledge warrants him or anyone else. Any educated man who has made some study of modern astronomy might know as much as that, and if I traverse some of his inferences it is on that broad ground. He offers his conclusions with great confidence to the public; they have been given in our local English press and reprinted into the Chinese press, and a great many of our Chinese neighbours are experiencing anxiety as to the dreadful things which are foretold.

Our atmosphere, says this Professor Prata, will at the date specified be thrown into "a disturbance without precedent or parallel."

There will be hurricanes, lightning, colossal rains. ("Colossal" is a curious term to use about rain.) Also we are to have "gigantic lava eruptions, great earthquakes, to say nothing of floods and fearful cold." All this Mr. Prata professes to know, but perhaps the most disquieting suggestion lies in his closing hint about an ultimate outcome which lies beyond his knowledge. He issues his forecast as a solemn warning, clothed in emphatic and superlative language, and it is being taken by those that may be so inclined to indicate that the end of all things is probably at hand, at any rate for us dwellers on the earth. There is further an air of precision about the prophecy which makes it appear quite final to the reader who may not be in a position to check it. People nowadays may be sceptical about religion but they will accept almost anything put forward in the name of science.

Professor Prata affirms that his "startling prophecy" is based upon "simple, yet astounding facts" which his study of the planets has revealed with mathematical certainty.

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END OF THE WORLD.

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Imaginary phenomenon without importance that the first of an unbroken series of eclipses is. The Professor did not need to study the planets at all. Five minutes with the Nautical Almanack (which would put any of us in possession of every fact about the position of these bodies which he says his studies have revealed. These positions are calculated years ahead in the great observatories and are at the disposal of navigators and the general public at least a year in advance. It is no revelation due to Professor Prata's studies that about the middle of the third week in December of this year the revolutions of the planets around the sun will have brought six of them—Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn and Neptune—to a position on one side of the sun, and another, Uranus, opposite them on the other side, with our earth pretty much at a right angle to the line—by no means a straight line—which runs from the six to the one, passing, of course, through the sun. The position, assuming that the Professor has given it correctly, is interesting and remarkable. But why has it occurred to him alone to predict these fearful effects from it upon the sun and the earth. The reason is that the moment he begins to draw inferences from his facts, he quits the region of mathematical certainty and enters on the unproved and conjectural. His "league of planets," he says, will send magnetic currents between the group of six on the one side and Uranus on the other side of the sun which will "pierce the sun like a mighty spear" and produce a sun-spot, that is a "gigantic explosion of flaming gases leaping hundreds of thousands of miles out into space," with a crater large enough to engulf the earth much as Vesuvius might engulf a football.

Other writers have employed picturesque expressions to suggest the magnitude of large sun-spots. Worlds like suns, says W. E. Maunders, for instance, might be poured into them of fact like peas into a saucer. In point of fact spots have been observed as much as 110,000 miles in diameter, but they have not been accompanied by anything more serious on the earth than a display of the "aurora borealis" and some passing disturbances of the magnetic needle, interfering with navigation and occasionally disorganizing the telegraph service. Flaming leaping hundreds of thousands of miles from the surface of the sun have also been observed before now, and no one has been wiser, except the man at the telescope who was fortunate enough to be watching at the moment.

The sun, as all must know by this time, is an enormous globe of glowing gas surrounded by an

atmosphere of lighter gases thousands of miles deep, all in a state of incandescence at an inconceivable temperature, and subject, like every atmosphere, to storms of a violence proportionate to its magnitude. Sun-spots are vast rents in the outer atmosphere of the sun, but of what nature and how caused we do not yet know with certainty, though they have been the subject of steady investigation for many years. Not infrequently they are large enough to be seen by the naked eye, in which case they cannot be much less than some 50,000 miles in diameter.

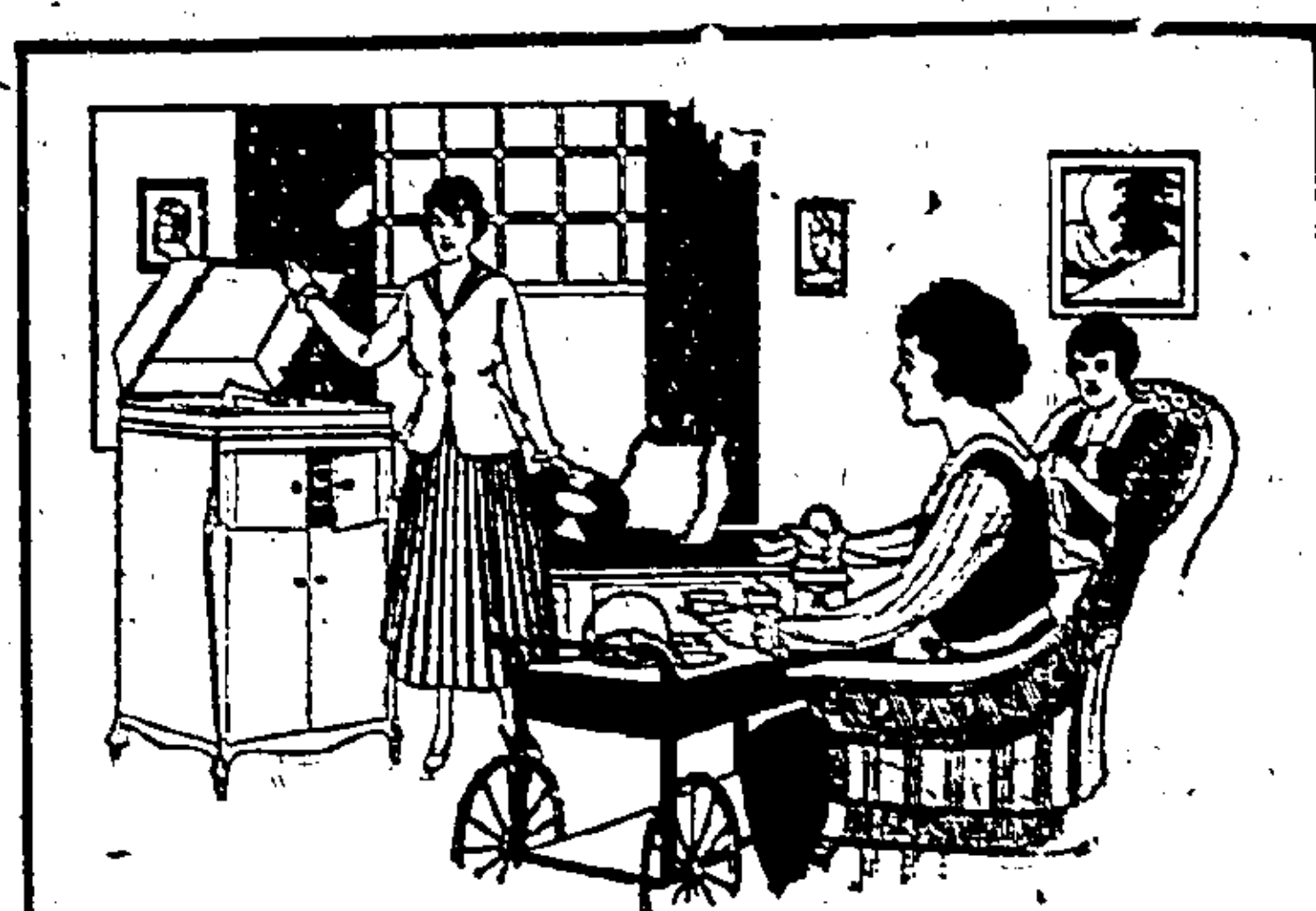
I have seen such when a city fog has so dimmed the sun that one could look at it, and there are few days perhaps upon which larger or smaller spots may not be seen through even a small telescope. Speculations as to some connection between sun-spots and terrestrial weather have long been made, some of them very curious. Even so great a man as Sir Wm. Herschel thought of having tables relating their variations to the fluctuating price of wheat, but that must have been an exercise of playful fancy rather than a serious notion on his part. The most careful examination of available data in recent times has failed to yield decisive results in the matter; indeed, precisely opposite conclusions have been reached by different investigators. G. H. Chambers in one of his test-books on Astronomy, for instance, cites a well-known Swiss observer, Wolf, as considering that he had found decisive evidence that years rich in solar spots are in general drier and more fruitful than those of an opposite character, while another Swiss observer, Gautier, discussing observations extending over 11 years and taken at various places in Europe and America, concludes exactly the opposite.

I do know a writer of repute who would dogmatise upon the subject. It is well-known that sun-spots appear and disappear according to a cycle of about 11½ years between their maximum and minimum frequency, also that a similar cycle is traceable in certain electric and magnetic phenomena, such as the aurora, on our earth. There can be no doubt that these two sets of phenomena, in sun and earth respectively, arise from a common cause, but beyond that we are in ignorance and perhaps always shall be. Professor Prata goes beyond the book in making so sure that planetary influences are the causes of these phenomena.

It is true that surmises to that effect have been put forward by distinguished astronomers, but it is also true that these have not met with general endorsement. The whole subject is complex and as yet quite uncertain, yet it is upon grounds so insecure that we

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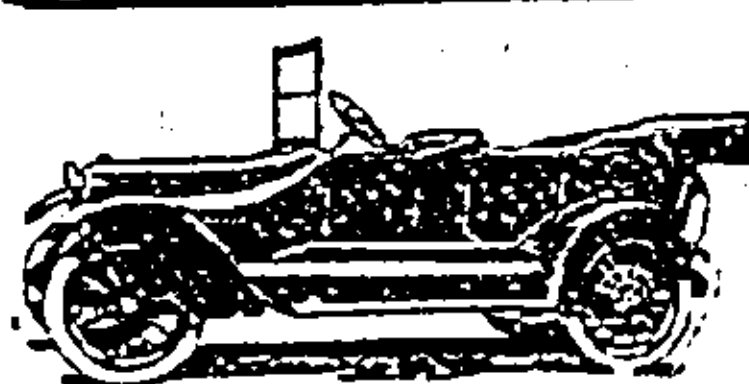
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MEANS AND ENDS.

There is always something very appealing regarding efforts that are being made for the better education and development of the young, and it was with a great amount of interest that we read Reuter's summary of the annual report of the Medical Department of the Board of Education, published in Saturday's telegrams. These are days of great reconstruction, and it is obviously imperative that, together with an effort to build up a better social order out of the chaos left by the war, there should go an improved development of the lines on which the children of to-day are being made fit for the responsible citizenships of to-morrow. For years past, educationists have recognised that unless children are physically fit first, all attempts to make them mentally fit are seriously handicapped, in many cases made totally abortive, and out of this recognition has come such institutions as school clinics, school kitchens and school gymnasiums. To ask a hungry child to assimilate instruction is to reverse a natural process. It is a wasted effort and, furthermore, it is cruel. For like reasons, education has had to take cognisance of the health of children, and has provided specialised treatment and training for those who are mentally defective. One does not need to review all that has been done, for the report under notice touches the main points, and generally indicates that educational authorities are very much alive to the varying needs. It is realised that the duties and responsibilities of public educational departments are becoming ever increasingly important, and with that knowledge one might well leave the matter with those in whose hands it is.

But with all this effort one has not to lose sight of the fact that, fundamentally, the process is very incomplete. It is a laudable and profitable work to palliate social distresses, but there is something even better, and that is their removal. In this matter of embellishing the work of education with physical "extras," there is a dealing only with the effect and not with the cause. Because of what the authorities are doing now, one cannot say that there will be any lessening of the work; by feeding the present hungry children they are not ensuring sufficient food for the children immediately to come or of those below school age; by providing healthy open air schools they are not decreasing the overcrowded areas from which the children come. The work as at present carried out is only an immediate corrective—an expedient; it is not an attack upon the cause of the evil. And this thought has to be kept well to the fore in any contemplation of the subject, because there are those who think that the establishment of all this physical aid and supervision constitutes an end in itself, whereas it is only a means to a very different kind of end. There is a self-contained condemnation in any community that has to provide treatment for the ill begotten by its social imperfections. To do no more than provide open-air schools for backward, mal-nourished and debilitated children is to pander to the unideal conditions that made such children possible. If a swamp is producing malarial mosquitoes, it is not sufficient to treat the victims of the malarial germ; the one thing necessary is to get rid of the swamp, when all else will follow. The simile points the moral for all social evils; it is not the results of evils which should be given sole attention, but the evils themselves and their causes. This is a vastly different matter, but, unfortunately, there are a great many people who are hopelessly confused on such things and generally invest a means with the value of an end. And among this class are some of those very persons who are actively working on this task of amelioration. They want to see school kitchens everywhere, losing sight of the fact that the very necessity of providing hungry children with food points to a greater existing evil—that of damnable social conditions which rob the parents of the wherewithal to provide food. The ideal to aim at is not schools, kitchens, school clinics, or special open-air schools, but a condition of national life that does away with all necessity for them.

Thus it is that, whilst giving our whole-hearted support to the movement as at present rendered necessary, we do not pin our faith to it as a means of permanent benefit. The task of statesmen and administrators has to deal with higher things. There has to be a broader outlook and an attempt at a general elevation, both in the standards of living and of education. The very social fabric itself has to be assailed and altered so that no man—unless he be a criminal or lunatic—is in the position of being unable to give his offspring all the bodily comforts necessary for their development. The overcrowding problem, with its attendant diseases, has to be tackled at its very roots, and one could go on to cite many other social evils that urgently call for attention. Bound up with it all is education—the bringing of all classes to the realisation of what is best in life and creating a desire for those things that give true happiness. It is a Utopian view, some will say, but the higher one aims, the higher one gets. It is not enough to go on tinkering with the disabilities of the living present; it is necessary to work for a complete removal of the handicaps, so that those who are to come after will find a world free from a lot that we are now forced to struggle against. It is just the difference between always paying interest on a loan and the wiping off of the capital.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

THE SHIPOWNERS' CASE.

On Saturday, we gave, in an interview, the owner's viewpoint in regard to the local shipping dispute. If the arguments put forward therein represent all that the owners have to say, we cannot help thinking that the men have by far the stronger case. The chief objection to the granting of the Guilds' demands appears to be that shipowners are experiencing bad times. That assertion will, we fear, not carry much weight with the public, who have an idea that shipping is still doing very well. In any case, how is it that other companies are able to make handsome profits and yet pay their officers and engineers substantially more than is now demanded for the men on these "outside" ships? The suggestion that some of the Chinese owners may put their boats under the Chinese flag does not surprise us, though such procedure could not be carried out very quickly, besides which there is the question of such vessels then losing their Hongkong passengers' licences. That would be a serious matter. As to the "foolish policy" of the men who have their families at home and who by ignoring the Guilds would be able to secure the advantage of the high dollar for their remittances, that argument smacks of an appeal to their selfishness. But selfishness and concerted action cannot go together, and the mere fact that the men are unanimously in favour of a united stand is sufficient to show that this appeal to their individual pockets is likely to meet with small response.

OUR PRINCE.

There is no doubt about it that the experiences of the past few years have had a wonderfully beneficial effect on the Heir Apparent to the British Throne. When war broke out, the Prince of Wales was, as one of the cables puts it, "a shy, nervous boy." He had had but little experience of the world and had led a quiet, cloistered life. His experiences at the front, the fulfilling of so many public engagements during the war and his visits to France, Canada and the United States have worked a mighty change in him. Now he has come out into the full glare of public life, and, besides endearing himself to his people, he has become a personality in world affairs. One cannot have read his many speeches, which we are now told are entirely his own composition, without feeling that here is a young man who is conscious of his great responsibilities and who means to keep pace with the spirit of the times. What most appeals to all with whom he has come in contact is his absolute unaffectedness, his good-heartedness and his healthy outlook on life. He is a manly lad, but withal possessing a charm of manner which stamps him as a true gentleman. We may well be proud of our Prince, who is shaping so well for the future. And in common with all admirers of him, Britishers hope that he may have a life full of service for those whom he may one day be called upon to rule.

BRITISH CHIVALRY.

It will be many a long day before the men of our mercantile marine forget the German submarine outrages which formed such a grim chapter of the war. That point is illustrated by the experiences which have fallen to the lot of the first German ship officer by Germans to arrive in Canada. This vessel was disabled by storms, and several signals of distress which she sent up were disregarded by vessels which had suffered from the activities of the U-boats. However, a British steamer whose captain had known what being torpedoed was like, and whose crew had been fired on in an open boat during the war, offered assistance. Whether the skippers who ignored the distress signals were justified in so doing is a matter for their own conscience. Whether they prefer the attitude of the chivalrous captain who, despite the terrible experiences he had suffered from the German pirates, responded to the dictates of humanity. After all, there was nothing to connect these distressed German mariners with the dastardly work of the German naval men, and in man's extremity (excluding war, of course) questions of nationality and the remembrance of past wrongs can afford to be forgotten. There is something deeper than these things, and this British skipper, in acting as he did, was upholding the best British traditions of chivalry and honour.

DAY BY DAY.

HARDS WORDS SELDOM MAKE IMPRESSIONS ON SOFT PEOPLE.

There was a clean bill of health in Hongkong on Saturday.

Invitations are out for the Kowloon Dock Ball, which takes place on the 30th instant.

The s.s. Chuen Chow went into dock to-day. She resumes her run on Wednesday or Thursday.

"Musician."—Not being an authority on the bagpipes, we have passed your enquiry on to "Robt. Mac Whirter."

Practice dances in connection with the St. George's Ball are to take place at the City Hall on the 23rd and 30th instant.

It is rumoured that the Tobias-Widdin (Police Reserve) Cup may be fought for at the forthcoming boxing tournament.

The Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald's sermon on the "alarm" prophecies current with regard to the unusual conjunction of the planets on December 17, appears on Pages 2, 3 and 5.

The following report has been received by the Harbour Master from the master of the s.s. Glenapp: "Derelict junk awash, sail set, latitude 22.30 north, longitude 115.25 east."

Mr. A. H. M. da Silva charged two Chinese at the Police Court this morning with trespassing in the servants' quarters of his residence at No. 1, Victoria View, Kowloon. The men were fined \$2 each.

H. E. Major General Ventris this morning inspected the 2,322 Punjabis at Kowloon. Lieut. Col. Clement Smith was in command. The Battalion was first inspected en masse and then in guard mounting and squad drill.

Advance notices show that the Dennistons Players (headed by Mr. Reynolds Denniston), who will appear in Hongkong from April 9 to 21, comprise five ladies and ten gentlemen. They are to present the latest comedies, farces and drama, including "Up in Mabel's Room," "Civilian Clothes," "The Third Degree," "Our Wives," "Nightie Night" and "The Woman in Room 13."

The final in the Chinese Y.M.C.A. Singles Championship was played on Saturday, the finalists being O. Rummahn and T. Lay. The first two sets went to Lay and the third to Rummahn. In the fourth set the score stood five games to two, 40-15, in favour of Lay, when Rummahn won five games straight and the set. The fifth set and the Championship also went to him, the scores for the match being 4-6, 4-6, 6-2, 7-5, 6-0.

P. C. McKelvie made an interesting capture the other day. Two Chinese schoolboys, in their enthusiasm for football, bit upon Wardley Street as a proper pitch for practice. Whatever enjoyment they derived from the game was spoiled by the action of the constable who swooped down upon them suddenly, and taking each of them by the collar, hauled them off to the Police Station. These votaries of football, after having been cautioned that the street was not made for them to play in, were each fined \$1 by the Magistrate this morning.

A Chinese constable received a set-back on Saturday when his suspicions led him to investigate some bags of rice which he saw carried on the shoulders of several shop coolies. Following the men to their shop, he questioned the manager and was surprised when he got for answer a flow of epithets which have the greater effect in that they were uttered in English. A blow on his chest and other hints of opposition made the Lukong realise that the better course was to retrace his steps to the Police Station and enlist aid. The result was that the shop's manager was arrested, and being charged at the Police Court this morning, was fined \$10; or in default, two weeks' hard labour.

CURRENT COIN.

[BY "MERCATOR"]

I hear that the Government has at last succeeded in disposing of its rice stocks—at least what-ever it decided to sell. It is said that a local man was employed to get rid of these rice supplies, and that as much as from 6,000 to 7,000 tons have thus been disposed of. As to the loss on the whole scheme, we must await the Government's statement on the subject.

Rumour was rife a few weeks ago that the local Government sent a Hongkong merchant, to America with a consignment of 2,000 tons, the Government paying freight and all expenses. At the moment I was inclined to discredit this report, but the report of the presence of a Government "broker" in the market here has served to make me more credulous. There is no gainsaying that the method of procedure adopted by the Government in running the scheme had its weak points. When the question comes up at the Legislative Council meeting, I trust that the Member representing the Chamber of Commerce will not hesitate to speak his mind on the subject.

Mention of rice control gives me an opportunity to refer to Mrs. H. A. Hayes, who is known in America as "The Rice Queen" and who has been chosen by the Southern Rice Growers' Association to represent them in Great Britain. She is a typical American business woman and is already measuring up well in England. In China and elsewhere in the Orient rice cultivation has been carried on under the same conditions from time immemorial, but each year for the past quarter of a century the rice-farmers in Louisiana, Texas, Arkansas and California have been improving their crops under scientific cultivation. London is the rice market of the world, and the German and Dutch mills before the war bought their rice in London, milled it in their own country and distributed it all over the world. America is out to capture this market.

I have had mailed to me a copy of an up-to-date catalogue from the up-to-date firm of Messrs. Alex. Ross and Co. It is profusely illustrated, intelligently arranged, and nicely produced. It is one of the few publications issued by local houses that has the impress of the high-water mark of excellence. It is significant of the enterprising spirit that animates this firm, which has lived up to the reputation of its slogan "Everything for Motoring," for there is nothing in the motoring trade that is not carried by Messrs. Alex. Ross and Co. Its success in Hongkong has indeed been rapid and the future is sure to eclipse all past achievements, for with the opening of the Castle Peak Road to motoring the prospect of an augmentation in the motor trade of the Colony is certain. Hongkong has become the centre of the motor trade in South China. Already the boom in motoring has commenced, and Messrs. Alex. Ross and Co. should reap their full share of this business. The catalogue just issued gives a good idea of the different lines carried by the firm.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[To The Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph"]

THE RETURNED MEN.

Sir,—I trust that you will allow me a small space in your valuable columns to vent a grievance in respect of the men who have returned from the front. Although I am but a newcomer to the Colony, I have noted with disgust the scant respect shown to those men who have come back. No word of welcome or appreciation has been shown to them. The rest of the Colonies have shown their gratitude to their returning men and even the smallest villages in England have done likewise. I am sure all returned men will agree with me on this matter.

Now, it is up to those who stayed behind and made hay while the sun shone to show their respect and appreciation to those men who have come back and have suffered so that they might live in safety.

Yours etc.

ONE OF THE 60th AND

30th DIVISIONS.

Hongkong, Dec. 7, 1919.

SALE OF STEAMER.

BREACH OF AGREEMENT CLAIM.

Before his Lordship the Chief Justice, Sir William Rees Davies, K.C., at the Supreme Court this morning, the hearing was begun of an action in which damages amounting to \$19,547.60 were claimed by Wong Lan-sang and Chan Tso-hing, partners in the Pak Hang Steamship Co., from one Fong Yeung-chau in respect of an alleged breach of an agreement.

Mr. Eldon Potter, instructed by Mr. G. R. Haywood, appeared for the plaintiffs.

The plaintiffs, Wong Lan-sang and Chan Tso-hing, were the respective owners of a steamship, the "Kung-Hong," and a certain licence issued by the Chinese authorities in respect of the vessel, which permitted it to be operated between Hongkong and Shan Mi. By a written agreement dated the 10th January, 1919, the defendant agreed to purchase the said steamer and licence for \$76,000. The defendant is alleged to have refused to purchase the vessel after signing the agreement, and to have attempted to avoid the service of a writ of summons, by leaving the Colony and taking up his residence in Swatow. In the absence of the defendant, leave was granted for an ex-parte hearing of the case. The present claim was for damages incurred between the two and a half months between the date when the vessel was laid up, in accordance with the agreement, and the date when she was sold by public auction consequent upon the failure of the defendant to keep to his agreement.

In his statement, plaintiffs' Counsel said that letters in respect of the matter were exchanged between Messrs. Golding and Phillips, who were acting on behalf of the vendors, and Messrs. Denny and Bowley, the defendants' solicitors. On the 8th August, 1919, a letter was received from the defendant's solicitors to the effect that they were instructed that he was not in the Colony. Evidence for the plaintiffs was then given.

Mr. Chan Shi, Secretary of the Pak Hang S.S. Co., who acted as agent in the foregoing transaction, said that in January of this year after the contract had been duly signed, the defendant came personally and, subsequently, sent representatives to him with a view to having the purchase price reduced. Witness stuck to his price with the result that the defendant refused to complete the transaction. Subsequently, on the 13th April, 1919, two and a half months after the signature of the contract, the Kung Hong was sold by public auction, and the licence by private treaty. The difference between the price realised at the auction and the price set in the contract and licence was \$12,000 which was included in the claim for damages.

During the giving of this evidence, Mr. Alabaster appeared in Court and announced that he had been instructed by Messrs. Denny and Bowley to submit to his Lordship that the proceedings of the Court were irregular, as no notice of the action having been taken had been served on the defendant or his solicitors. His application was for a stay of proceedings until the defendant who was now in Swatow, could be informed.

Mr. Eldon Potter objected to the appearance of his friend at that juncture. It was preposterous that counsel should appear in Court right at the moment when the action had proceeded that length. He pointed out the fact that on the 8th of August, and even as far back as the 20th of February, communications on the matter had been sent to the defendant's solicitors and the replies to these communications were that they had received no instructions from the defendant to act in the matter.

His Lordship gave judgment for the plaintiffs with costs.

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TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

Little John has been investigating the causes of natural phenomena. He was busily engaged in dipping a hairbrush in hot soapy water to the detriment of the appliance. When he came running out of the bathroom with a semi-bald hair brush in his hand, he was bubbling over with knowledge gained at first hand. "I know now," he shouted joyously. "I know why you put hot water and soap on your face when you shave. It's so the bristles 'll fall out."

The war was responsible for making all the stay-at-home folks more courageous and venturesome, remarks a *Daily Chronicle* writer. The other day the writer saw a grey-haired lady—her age approaching the Psalmist's limit—driving her own motor with an elderly companion by her side. The car was going quite as the police would approve. Nor long ago the elder of two sisters died and the younger, who was, shall we say, somewhat advanced in age, declared that at last she could fulfil a long-felt wish. She bought a car, learnt to drive it, and set off on a prolonged tour of Great Britain.

Which member of your household will be the first to dare to put the first match to the first fire these cold autumn evenings? asks a *Daily Chronicle* writer. Fires were ever a cause of discussion even in affectionate families. We know of a husband who never allowed anyone else to touch a fire after it had been lit when he was in the house. So the family would sit cowering round, as the flame sank. When roused at last to action he would poke suddenly, furiously, explosively, which, as often as not, would put the fire out altogether. Why is it that no husband believes that his wife can poke a fire properly? It is one of the mysteries of our domestic life.

I heard a story of the King of the Hedjaz and his Court (says "A Man about Town" in the *London Evening News*). Only one British officer had at that time been received at the Court, and the King ordered a feast in his honour. The table was spread, it was six yards wide, and long in proportion, whole sheep were served, and the carvers walked up and down upon the table attending to the wants of the guests. When the hour for retiring came, relays of musicians were told off to sing the Englishman to sleep; and throughout the entire night sweet melody "soothed" his slumbers. Versed in the ways of the East, he accepted this hospitality with composure. But on his return to his own camp he slept for twenty-four hours.

An advertiser in a house and property paper recently goes one better than the milkman, who, in addition to his rent, has offered to supply milk free of charge every day to the landlord who lets him a house (remarks "A Man about Town" in the *London Evening News*). The advertiser, who is a builder, offers to do repairs up to £50 for the possession of a five or seven roomed house within fifteen miles of London. We may expect offers soon, I suppose, from a tailor who will clothe one free of charge for the rest of one's life, or from an undertaker who will bury one gratis at the end of it. The bonuses offered by desperate house and flat seekers on an apartment alone of this house and one page paper amount to £275, and range from £1 to £30.

Recently I lunched at one of London's many tea-shops. "Stewed plums" on the menu looked interesting at fourpence, so I ordered a portion, with the additional luxury of custard (says "Diary" in the *Westminster Gazette*). When the plate arrived it contained four plums, which looked to be of inferior quality, and which were decidedly acid, without the flavour that makes the roughness of damsons so acceptable. No extra sugar was supplied, but I swallowed the dose with no enjoyment, and reckoned that with plums—and good fruit, too—at 7d. a pound on the street barrows, I had made a bad bargain in paying at the rate of one plum for one penny. Had I been lurching in Westminster, could I have made the price of this dish of plums the subject of a complaint to the local committee for dealing with profiteering without the danger of having to pay the fine for making a frivolous complaint?

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FOOTBALL.

SENSATIONAL DEFEAT OF THE NAVY.

Saturday's matches resulted as follows:

LEAGUE DIVISION I.
Hongkong Club, 1; South China, 0.Navy, 1; St. Joseph's College, 3.
Hongkong Police, 2; R.G.A., 2.LEAGUE DIVISION II.
Hongkong Club (Res.), 0; Navy (Res.), 1.Staffs and Depts., 0; Kowloon, 1.
Club de Recreation, 1; Manchester Regt., 0.

Great crowds at the Valley on Saturday witnessed some fine games, which, with the exception of the surprising defeat of the Navy by the St. Joseph's team, passed off generally as expected. Staffs lost to Kowloon, but it must be admitted that Staffs had plenty of chances to pull the match out of the fire, but failed in front of goal. The outstanding feature of Saturday's games was the defeat of the Navy and on Saturday's form, St. Joseph's are quite up to the standard of the other First League Clubs.

CLUB V. SOUTH CHINA.
A great crowd witnessed this game, both teams putting their strongest eleven in the field. At the last moment Reiss appeared vice Rodger at outside left. The game started in very promising style and Ko Kin Fan and Kwok Po Kun on the right wing early caused the defence anxiety. Rodger being called upon, whilst a fine shot by the inside right went at a fast pace the wrong side of the post. The Club tried to break through, but were hustled off the ball, and the big Club forwards were not making much progress with China's defence. Reiss received from Stalker about half way through the first half and sent in a smashing shot which the goalie dealt with in great style, and shortly after, the same player sent just outside. China fed their right wing well and danger threatened from this quarter frequently. Fan playing a rare good game. Rodger saved a high dropping shot from Au Kit Sang, but neither set of forwards were very dangerous in this half. The Club started well in the second half and goals looked likely, but the Chinese defended stubbornly, and also made many good bursts into the Club quarter. Reiss eventually centred the ball with a high dropping shot which completely baffled the Chinese goalie and Club were one up. Richelmann shot tamely just after with an open goal, and South China again took up the running. Ip Kow and Kwok Po Kun getting very near after smart work by Ko Kin Fan. The Chinese played a remarkably fast game in the closing stages, when some of the Club players were obviously slowing down, and time came with Club winners by the barest margin.

The game was a particularly good one, the differing styles of the two teams being very marked. The Club's game was well understood by their bustling opponents, and Club forwards in consequence were never much in the limelight. They gave some very fine bits of football occasionally, but lacked the fine dash of their smaller opponents. The halves had a great day with the Chinese forwards, Stewart and Bailton shining in a very sound trio, and they did not spare themselves or their opponents.

The rear guard and goalkeeper were frequently called on and displayed very sound understanding and combination with the half-backs.

The Chinese team deserve nothing but praise. Altogether outweighted, they set up a splendid fight and only their very weak finishing and their lack of inches in front of goal prevented them scoring. The diminutive centre-forward showed a capital knowledge of the game, and distributed his wings in good form. Ko Fan and Kwok Po Kun on the right were in great form and are a clever combination, whilst the right back played a great game amongst a defence without a weak spot. The goalie gave his usual classy display and saved some hot stuff. Lieut. Spoke was in charge of the game.

NAVY V. ST. JOSEPH'S.
St. Joseph's on Saturday furnished the biggest surprise of the season and to turn the tables on the strong Navy team as they did on Saturday was a remarkable performance. The Navy made one or two changes in their team and on the showing of Saturday's game these were ill-advised. St. Joseph's started with only ten men. The Navy immediately made tracks for their opponents' goal and it looked after a run down by Fox and a smart finishing movement by Rodger, who scored, that it was only a question of goals. From this stage, however, St. Joseph's forwards took up the running and Silva, dashing between the Navy backs, shot hard at Crocker who partially saved, only to see Silva beat him again at short range. Navy tried hard to settle down, but Oxley and his confederates were playing very soundly and did not give much away. Crocker was called on again but came through successfully, the interval arriving with one goal each. The second half was sensational, as Navy appeared to be slower on the ball than their opponents, also the ground appeared to have difficulties for them more than their opponents, and Rahmin after a delightful run beat the defence all ends up, crossing to Ismael who scored again. Navy came away, but at this stage St. Joseph's were playing with great dash and Omar got his foot behind a beauty which left Crocker hopeless.

On the day's play St. Joseph's deserved their win and once they found the Navy defence worried they pressed their advantage. Urquhart and his partner played a fine defensive game and Zepher was very successful against his heavier opponents. Hyndman, Silva, Omar and Rahmin are players above the average and make a very dangerous line. Crocker could not be blamed for the goals, although it looked as if he should have saved one, but he saved well on many occasions, and it was obvious that the indecision of his backs, who were not reliable, left him in many awkward positions. Toms and Niles worked hard to turn the tide, and Rodger and Fox were prominent forward. Graydon not being permitted very much freedom. The weakness of the defence spoilt the forward's chances. Stone's dashes on the wing were missed.

Lieut. Thornton was in charge of the game.

POLICE V. R.G.A.
The Police have every reason to bemoan bad luck, as on Saturday what might have been a win of them, by a curious point of football law being misinterpreted,

GOLF.

LADIES SECTION.

Committee Cups.—To be played over Fanling 'big course, Ladies' Foursomes: Medal play, 3/8 the of Combined handicaps, to be played during December, January and February, best nett score by any two ladies. Any number of matches may be played provided it is with a different partner each game. Players will be disqualified if they play with the same partner more than once.

LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP DRAW.
Mrs. Arthur bye, Mrs. Winslow plays Mrs. McKenny, Mrs. Pearce plays Mrs. J.W. Taylor, Mrs. John Johnstone plays Mrs. Moron, Mrs. Mitchell plays Mrs. Fletcher, Lady Rees Davies plays Mrs. Kilgour, Mrs. H. Griffin plays Miss Leith, Mrs. Maitland bye.

First round to be played by 24th December, 1919.

Second round to be played by 7th January, 1920.

Third round to be played by 21st January, 1920.

Final round to be played by arrangement.

gave the R.A. a draw and one point. Clarke was penalised for running with the ball and the ensuing free-kick went into the goal without touching anyone. The goal was given, unfortunately, but the error is very excusable as it so rarely happens with a packed goal. Green came through with a nice second goal and the Police scored in the closing stages. The second half was very exciting and Police were the better team, being rewarded with a goal from a nicely placed corner.

The Police may let the result stand, as neither Club has very much chance of the League Championship, but the F.A. ruling will probably be given on it. It was a rare good sporting match and at times very exciting, the Police backs and Clarke showing well and the forwards broke through nicely on many occasions. Telford was a noticeable absentee from the R.A. who were well served by the goalie, Middleton, Green and Morris. Mr. Langford was in charge of the game.

KOWLOON V. STAFFS.
This game provided a fine struggle, the first half favouring Kowloon who played with great dash, and after the interval, the Staffs, with the hill in their favour, missed many chances. Up and down the field play was the order and the best chance came to Staffs after a fine break through by Townsend, Hydr in goal saving splendidly from Wain. Kowloon were more successful at the other end, Knight finishing a fine effort by Taylor with a smart drive well past Glenn.

Staffs did heaps of pressing in the second half and Townsend and Wain had very hard lines, Kowloon defending stubbornly. Kowloon appeared more nicely balanced than Staffs and forward were much superior, Townsend being the only really dangerous forward in the Staffs team, the right wing being very ineffective. Knight, Filmer and the backs played towering games and they needed to with Kowloon's fast lot of forwards. Taylor was outstanding in a very smart forward line, and the halves played well, also Jackson and Wheeler, who kicked with fine power and judgment. Hydr is a goalie of promise.

Mr. Coaker was in charge of the game.

CLUB RESERVES V. NAVY RESERVES.
Navy had to go all out with the Club second string, who are gradually welding together into a good side. Navy got one goal in the first half but there wasn't much in it and in the second half both McKenzie and Hardy brought off some nice saves.

The play generally was good for a Second Division match and both teams will trouble the League leaders. Hardy and his backs and the left wing forwards, also the right half back, did well for Navy, and McKenzie was a capable goalie for the Club, whilst Gerrard, Carriere, Weyman and Severen played strong games for the Club.

Mr. Smythe was in charge of the game.

MANCHESTER REGT. V. CLUB RECREIO.
The Manchester Regt. were not much behind the light Portuguese team, but over eagerness in front of goal was a weakness with both sides. The Club scored in the first half and the second half was chiefly remarkable for bad shooting by both sides. The game was interesting but there was not much good football, although the defences of each team were good.

Mr. Skinner was in charge of the game.

QUIZ.

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ANOTHER VIEWPOINT.

A seafaring man whom we have interviewed was rather amused at the remarks made in our issue of Saturday by the owner who was affected by the dispute. He declined to regard the report of the interview as being a considered review of the situation, but rather as a piece of somewhat crude bluff. He wanted to know, in the first place, upon what data the gentleman based his calculations of good money, but was glad it had been, for once, conceded that the seafarer earned it, be it good, bad or indifferent.

He went on to say that he knew shipowners were losing money—they had never done anything else as far back as he could remember—and he quite believes that the employment of Chinese would entail a small loss (e.g. s.s. Chefoo River pirates). And he wanted to know that if these vessels are losing money, what would be happening to the more generous companies which pay their men nearly double the present pay of these ships and carry more officers and engineers. Is freight competition of this kind between companies fair? he asked.

The statement "that most of them had their families at Home" he characterised as "being a deliberate mis-statement, and challenges the gentleman to bring evidence that 5 per cent. of the men in the "outside" or the river boats affected have their families at Home.

He admitted that possibly the Chinese owners could put their ships under the Chinese flag and could then fill the responsible positions with ricksha coolies or Australian aborigines if they wished, but the Chinese owners were business men and knew on which side of the slice the butter was, and, being so, had

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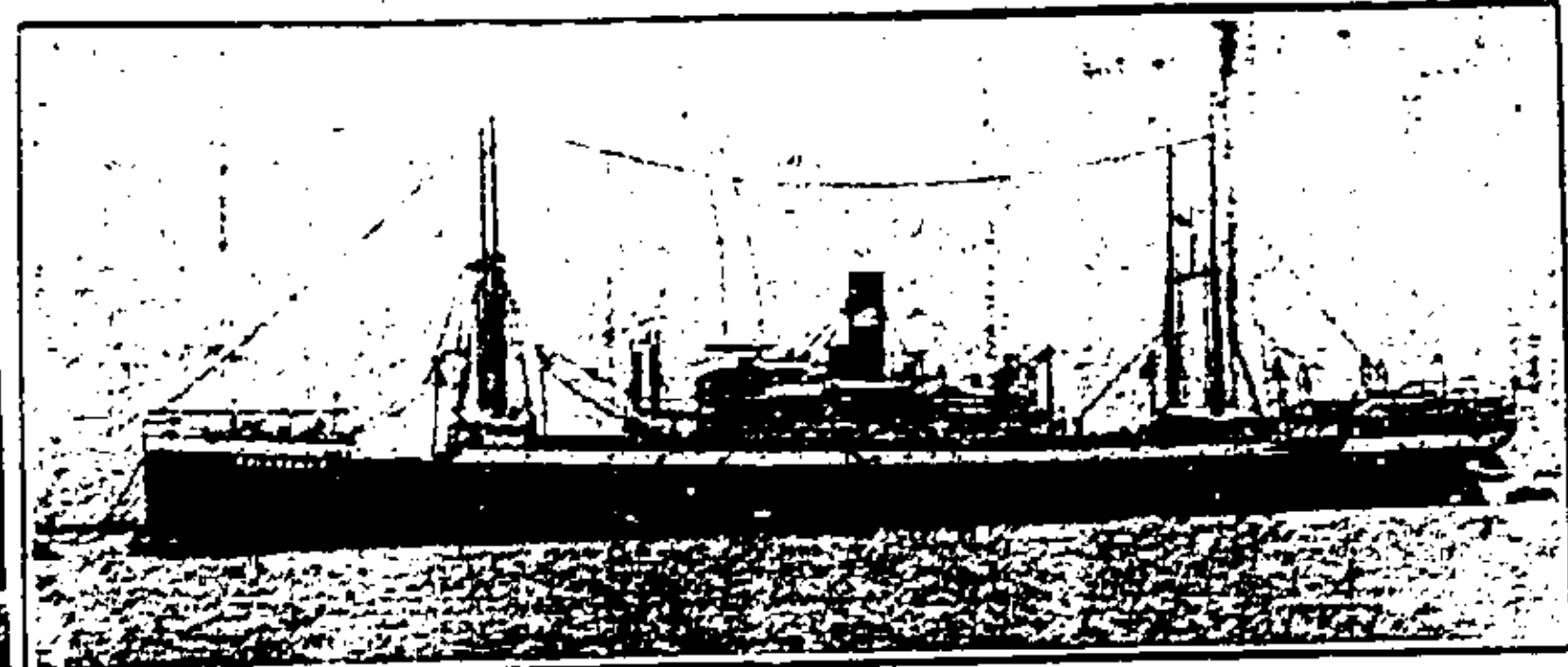
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The N. Y. K. s.s. INABA M. (European Line.) left London for this port via the Suez Canal on the 1st Nov., and is expected here on the 10th Dec.

The N. Y. K. s.s. SHINRYU MARU (Bombay Line) left Bombay for this port direct on the 21st Nov. and is expected here on the 8th Dec.

The N.Y.K. s.s. KAIFUKU M. (Calcutta Line) left Calcutta for this port via Rangoon & Singapore on the 25th Nov. and is expected here on the 15th Dec.

The Pacific Mail S.S. Co. is in receipt of cable advice from its Manila Office to the effect that the s.s. LAKE GILPEN Voyage 1, (Shanghai/Calcutta Line) sailed from that Port on the 4th inst., and that she will arrive at this Port on Sunday, December 7th.

The N. Y. K. s.s. TOTOMI M. (Bombay Line) left Moji for this port on the 3rd Dec., and is expected here on the 8th Dec.

The R. M. S. EMPRESS OF RUSSIA from Hongkong on the 30th Oct. arrived at Vancouver on the 18th Oct.

The N. Y. K. s.s. KAMO M. (European Line.) left London for this port via the Suez Canal on the 22nd Nov. and is expected here on the 29th Dec.

The N. Y. K. s.s. NIKKO M. (Australian Line) left Sydney for this port via Manila on the 28th Nov., and is expected here on the 19th Dec.

The R. M. S. EMPRESS OF JAPAN arrived at Yokohama on 27th November, left there 28th November, at noon, and is due at Vancouver, on 10th December.

The China Mail s.s. NILE sailed from San Francisco on November 18th and may be expected to arrive at this port on December 15th.

The N. Y. K. s.s. MURORAN MARU (Calcutta Line) left Moji for this port on the 4th Dec., and is expected here on the 9th Dec.

The N. Y. K. s.s. IYO MARU (European Line.) left London for this port via the Suez Canal on the 29th Nov., and is expected here on the 7th Jan.

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Tsushima M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 10
Harold D.	R. D. Co.	Dec. 11
Nishmaha	A. L.	Dec. 11
Kunajiri M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 11
Fushimi M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 13
Eldridge	A. L.	Dec. 14
West Ira	R. D. Co.	Dec. 14
Montague	A. L.	Dec. 15
Alps M.	O. S. K.	Dec. 16
West Inskip	P. M. Co.	Dec. 17
Tenyo M.	T. K. K.	Dec. 18
Mishima M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 18
Waban	A. L.	Dec. 19
Monteagle	C. P. O. S.	Dec. 19
Novara	P. & O.	Dec. 19
Crevecoeur	A. L.	Dec. 20
Nile	C. M.	Dec. 20
Arabia M.	O. S. K.	Dec. 20
Bravecoeur	S. & D.	Dec. 20
Kadomo	B. L.	Dec. 23
Tango M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 24
West Caddoa	P. M. Co.	Dec. 24
Ida M.	A. D.	Dec. 24
E. of Russia	C. P. O. S.	Dec. 25
West Conob	P. M. Co.	Dec. 26
Sado M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 26
Dongola	P. & O.	Dec. 27
Edmore	A. L.	Dec. 28
Durban M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 28
Wawlonia	A. L.	Dec. 29
West Cajoot	S. & D. 1st Half Jan.	
Alps M.	O. S. K.	B. of Dec.
Amur M.	O. S. K.	E. of Dec.
Tokushima	N. Y. K.	E. of Dec.
West Vega	P. M. Co.	Jan. 3
Monteagle	C. P. O. S.	Jan. 3
Sumatra M.	O. S. K.	Jan. 4
Knight Templar	B. L.	Jan. 5
Arabian Prince	S. T. Co.	Jan. 8
West Hepburn	R. D. Co.	Jan. 10
Grace D.	R. D. Co.	Jan. 15
Iconium	A. L.	Jan. 20
Katori M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 21
St. Albans	P. & O.	Jan. 25
Atreus	B. L.	Jan. 28
China	C. M. Co.	Jan. 31
Perang M.	N. Y. K.	B. of Jan.
Borneo M.	O. S. K.	B. of Jan.
Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	M. of Jan.
Persia M.	T. K. K.	Feb. 3

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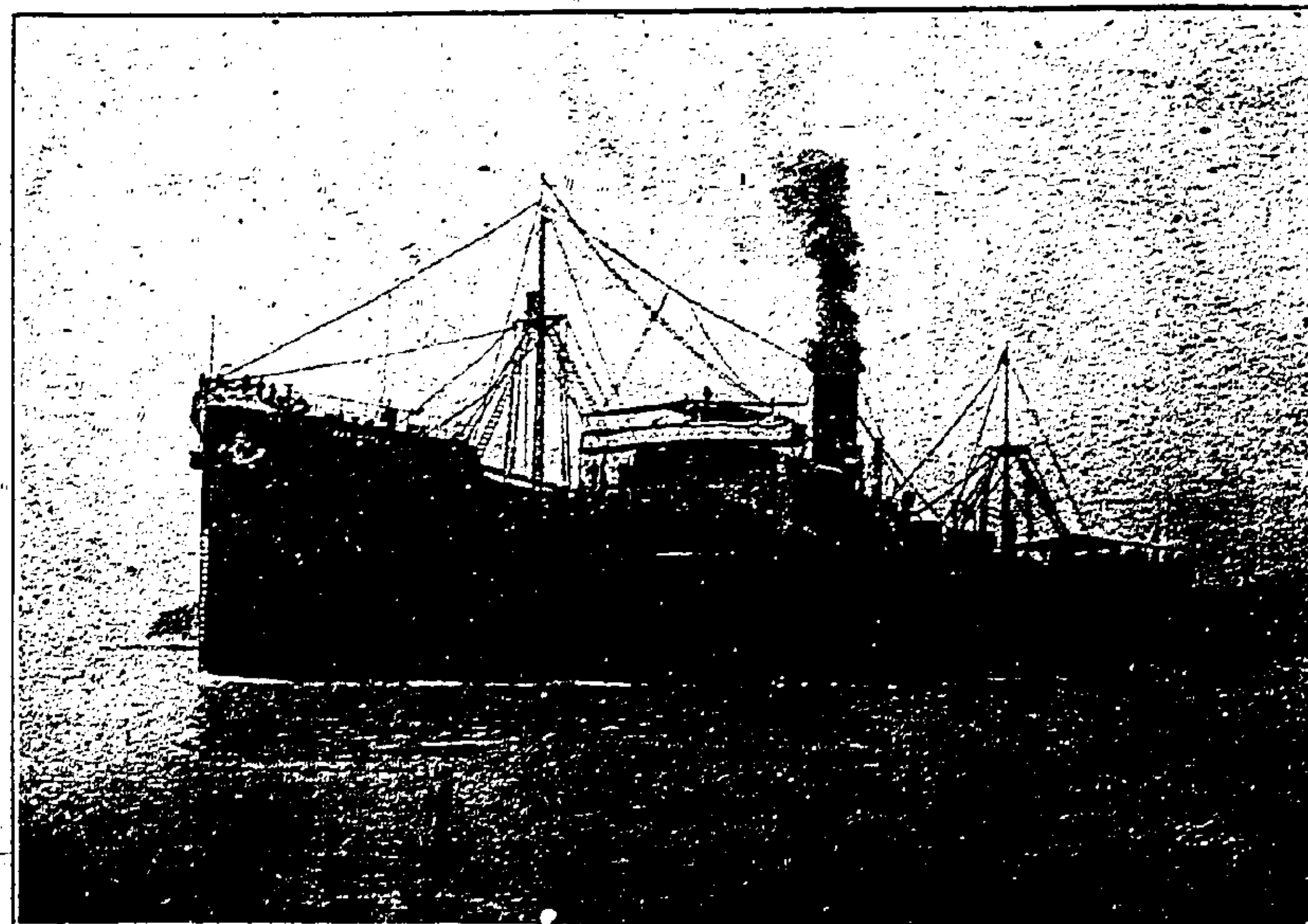
Hoihow	B. & S.	Dec. 8
Muroran M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 8
Esang	J. M. Co.	Dec. 8
Laisang	J. M. Co.	Dec. 9
Totomi M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 9
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Haihong	D. L. Co.	Dec. 9
Changchow	B. & S.	Dec. 9
Suirang	B. & S.	Dec. 9
Cheshing	J. M. Co.	Dec. 9
Tjikini	J. C. J. L.	Dec. 9
Inaba M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 11
Wosang	J. M. Co.	Dec. 11
Kwongsang	J. M. Co.	Dec. 11
Sinking	B. & S.	Dec. 11
Taming	B. & S.	Dec. 12
Teksang	J. M. Co.	Dec. 12
Loongsang	J. M. Co.	Dec. 12
Haiching	D. L. Co.	Dec. 12
Kumsang	J. M. Co.	Dec. 13
Japan	P. & O.	Dec. 13
Tilatjap	J. C. J. L.	Dec. 16
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Yatshing	J. M. Co.	Dec. 17
Sosbu M.	O. S. K.	Dec. 18
Tjimanoeck	J. C. J. L.	Dec. 19
Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 20
Hinsang	J. M. Co.	Dec. 20
Kawachi M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 26
Hwah-Wu	N. Y. K.	M. of Dec.
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SUNDAY'S ALFRESCO FETE.

IN AID OF HONGKONG'S POOR.

The poor are always with us, and yesterday the citizens of the Colony gave a good illustration of their interest in these unfortunate by spending lavishly at the Al Fresco Fete held by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Yesterday was the thirtieth annual fixture of its kind held under the auspices of the Society, and it is interesting to record that each year the fete grows in popularity and yields more in receipts. Had Charles Dickens lived in Hongkong at the present day he would have found plenty of work for his pen. Scenes such as he, above most writers, has become most famous for depicting abound in our midst. Beneath the outward pomp and prosperity of the Colony there exists another sphere of life in which poverty, misery, despair go hand in hand and are daily fought by a brave band of workers. This is poverty of a type such as could only exist in a city peopled by Asiatics, though unfortunately it is not confined to them. The worth of the Society is humanitarian and unsectarian in scope, and its members are carrying a good and great task. In former years it numbered many British and foreign residents amongst its members, but gradually they have left the Colony and their places have not been filled by the new arrivals, until at the present time the whole of the work is carried on by the Portuguese members.

His Excellency Sir Edward Stubbins was on the grounds last evening and was keenly enquiring about the scope and activities of the Society.

The fete was well patronized. There was an increasing tide of patrons from 2 p.m. till midnight. This year's bazaar has easily broken all previous records, the gross receipts being \$17,500. This is an increase of about \$7,000 on last year's fete, which was itself a record. Everyone threw himself into the fun of the fair. The grounds were beautifully illuminated and well-planned. There were stalls galore and no dearth of fair workers to make things hum and extract the suppers dollars from the public. All the various stalls were stocked with goods big and small. The band of the Wiltshire Regiment discoursed a capital selection of music, which was appreciated by the patrons. Where everything was so well organized and every side-show and stall so attractive, it is invidious to select any for special mention. The "Candies" Stall was well patronized, as were also the Farm Yard run by Messrs. J. C. Wildin, F. Dillon, C. Ward and J. H. Barrington, and the dollar raffle stall.

The fine five-seater Overland car, which was prominently displayed on a stand in front of the main entrance, was the cynosure of all eyes, and was won by Mr. Lewis Tobias, the well-known local optician. It was an admirable suggestion of the Committee to canvass for subscriptions to defray the cost of the car, and the response was immediate and exceeded even the Committee's wildest expectations. The cost of the motor car (\$1,800) was generously subscribed by the following gentlemen on the grounds yesterday: Messrs. J. M. Alves (25 per cent.), A. M. L. Soares (20), B. Basto (10), E. U. M. R. de Souza (10), M. de Journal (10), W. Logan (5), P. Botelho (5), Chou Po Sein (5), P. M. N. da Silva (5), Walter Ford (2½), Prof. E. Dannenberg (2½), and others. The band of the Sociedade Philharmonica was also in attendance and rendered excellent music.

The gold wrist watch raffled by Mrs. Carroll, was won by Mr. D. S. Eddie (Ticket No. 241).

The variety entertainment was provided by Miss D. Razavet, who sang "Love Song"; Mrs. J. A. Taylor who sang with expression a Spanish ditty; Miss Young who danced in her usual graceful style and magical feats were given by Mr. A. J. Braga assisted by Master G. Razavet.

His Excellency the Governor arrived at 5.30 p.m. accompanied by Capt. J. E. Warner, Private Secretary, and was received at the entrance by Chev. J. M. Alves, President of the Central Council, Mr. W. G. Fitz-Gibbon, Chairman of the Bazaar Committee, Commander F. M. Hodgson, R.N., Mr. L. A. Barton, Lieut. Coughlan, R.N., and Mr. J. M. S. Rosario, members of the Committee.

The following are the members of the Bazaar Committee for this year:—Mr. W. G. Fitz-Gibbon (Chairman), Major F. J. Bowen (Treasurer), Mr. M. F. Baptista (Secretary), Commander F. M. Hodgson, R.N., Lieut. Coughlan, R.N., Messrs. L. A. Barton, F. J. Braga, T. A. Carvalho, Chou Po Sein, F. Dillon, M. Fernandes, F. Fisher, E. J. Noronha, A. F. Osmund, J. D. Osmund, T. M. Perpetuo, E. A. Remedios, Max. A. dos Remedios, J. A. V. Ribeiro, A. G. da Rocha, J. M. S. Rosario, P. H. Rosario, Simon She-yen and I. M. Xavier.

The following is a list of the Stall-holders and their assistants:—

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Lucky Well. Mrs. Kilgour, Lieut-Commander Kilgour, Capt. H. S. McGrath, and P. O. of H. M. S. Tamar.

Refreshments. Mr. T. M. Perpetuo and Mr. W. J. Wilkinson assisted by Messrs. A. Barros, Ph. Roza, Irvine, and Miss Gomes.

Chute. Mr. Geo. Willis, assisted by Mrs. Brazil, Mrs. Cashman, Mrs. Davitt, Mrs. Willis, and Messrs. John Murphy, James Murphy, T. Cashman, P. Murphy, T. Murphy, Terry, and Russell.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

CONSIGNEES.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
From EUROPE AND STRAITS.
THE Company's Steamship

"PENANG MARU,"
having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong, and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before NOON, TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 14th December, 1919, will be subject to rent.
Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Co.'s representatives at an appointed hour on Tuesday & Friday. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA
Agents.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1919.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
From BOMBAY & SINGAPORE.
THE Company's Steamship

"NANKING MARU,"
having arrived from the above ports, on the 7th December, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 13th November, will be subject to rent. Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees' representative and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard and Douglas, at 10 a.m. on Wednesday and Friday. All claims must be presented within Thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignatures immediately.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.
Y. YASUDA,
Manager.
Hongkong, 8th December, 1919.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.
From OSAKA KOBE, & MOJI.

The Company's Steamship
"KASADO MARU,"
having arrived from the above ports, on the 6th December, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 12th December will be subject to rent. Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees' representative and the Company's Surveyor's Messrs. Goddard and Douglas, at 10 a.m. on Wednesday and Friday. All claims must be presented within Thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignatures immediately.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.
Y. YASUDA,
Manager.

Hongkong, 17th Nov. 1919.

G. R.

NOTICES.

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 1st day of December, 1919, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Conduit Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

N. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in square feet	Annual Rent	Notes
10570	Lot of Crown Land at Conduit Road, Hongkong	10570	10570	10570	

NOTICE.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

GREAT SUCCESS OF THE
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AILEEN AND DORIS WOODS
WHO WILL APPEAR AGAIN
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TEA DANCANTS

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WEDNESDAY, the 10th of Dec.,
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FRIDAY, the 12th of December.
The Latest Song Hits will be introduced.

Entrance to Dance Room \$2.
Hotel Residents \$1.
J. H. TAGGART,
Manager.

NOTICE.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

The Office of the above Company have this day been removed to No. 3 Queen's Buildings, (Chater Road).

Hongkong, 8th December, 1919.

NOTICE.

Practice Dances for the above Ball will take place at the City Hall on the 23rd and 30th December from 5 to 7 p.m.

NOTICE.

ISSUE OF FRENCH 5% PREMIUM BONDS

TO HELP IN THE RECONSTRUCTION OF WAR DEVASTATED REGIONS GUARANTEED BY THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT

Four thousand million Francs divided into Eight Millions 500 francs 5% Premium Bonds

Free of all Taxes

redeemable in 75 years at frs 600 and also by yearly premium drawings amounting to frs 10,000,000 with a quarterly first prize of:

ONE MILLION FRANCS

Price of issue frs 495.—

Applications will be received by the BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE

(The French Bank)
L. BERINDOAGUE
Manager.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1919.

BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE DE CHINE

(THE FRENCH BANK)

GRAND FRENCH LOAN WITH DRAWING.

Under the guarantee of the French Government The Local Branch of the Banque Industrielle de Chine will receive subscriptions for the above loan from this date to the 15th December.

FOUR MILLIARDS of francs of five per cent Bonds will be issued free of income taxes and redeemable at Fr. 600, within SEVENTY FIVE YEARS.

Issue price Fr495.—per Bond
Drawings will take place quarterly yielding Fr. 10,000,000, in PRIZES yearly, the FIRST PRIZE in each being:

ONE MILLION FRANCS.

M. ROUET DE JOURNAL
MANAGER.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG POLICE

The Hongkong Police Victory Ball will be held at the City Hall on Wednesday the 17th December 1919. Dancing to commence at 9 p.m.

W. HENDERSON,
Hon. Secretary

Central Police Station

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

By Order of the Mortgagees Mr. Geo. P. Lammett has received instructions to sell by

Public Auction

on

FRIDAY

the 12th day of December, 1919 at 3 p.m. at his Sales Rooms Duddell Street, Victoria.

Hongkong.

The following Leasehold properties situate at Victoria and Kowloon, Hongkong in two Lots Lot 1 All that piece of ground situate at Victoria registered in Land Office as Inland Lot No. 346 together with the messuage thereon No. 15 Mosque Street. Term 999 years from 2nd November 1849. Area 1440 square feet. Annual Crown rent \$10.50.

Lot 2 All that piece of ground situate at Kowloon Point registered in the Land Office as Section No. of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 410 together with the messuage thereon No. 22 Ashley Road, Kowloon Term 75 years from 24th June 1882. Area 1892½ square feet. Proportion of Annual Crown rent \$10.50.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to Messrs Johnson Stokes & Master, Prince's Building, Ice House St. Hongkong.

Solicitors for the Mortgagees or to Geo. P. LAMMETT, Auctioneer.

NOTICE.

THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER CO. (1918) LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the first Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on Saturday the 20th December, 1919, at 11.30 a.m. in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the General Managers for the 14 months ending 30th September, 1919, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Monday the 15th December 1919 until Saturday the 20th December 1919, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.
General Managers.

Hongkong, 5th December, 1919.

NOTICE.

The s/s "Shinfukui Maru" chartered by the French Government will be despatched for Kobe (direct) on or about the 10th December.

Space for General Cargo can be obtained for that Port. For particulars please apply to:—

R. RODENFUSER

Acting Agent.

Messageries Maritimes Co.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1919.

P. & O. S. N. COY.

THE S.S. "DONGOLA"

8,000 tons

will leave for MARSEILLES & LONDON direct about 27th December for freight apply to MACKINNON MACKENZIE & COMPANY.

Agents.

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UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LTD.

The following Unclaimed Telegrams are lying here:—
Lewyenshing, from Kobe.
Vena, 600 Kanbotagay, from Nagasaki.

Harting, General Delivery, from Shanghai.

Loping Kwongtaicheung, Queen's Road Central, from Shanghai.

Kianshoug, from Amoy.
Yingwo, Westpoint, from Shanghai.

Mrs. Ward, Passenger Shantung, B. & Swire, from Shanghai.
Keechang from Shanghai.

Gelpke, Care Victoria, from Kobe.

T. KRING,

Superintendent,

Hongkong, Dec. 5, 1919.

EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRAL-ASIA & CHINA TELEGRAPH CO.
List of Unclaimed Telegrams lying in the E. E. Telegraph Office at Hongkong:—

Bull, Seamen's Institute, from Shanghai.

Exile, from New York.
Kolomel, from San Francisco.

Roy Smith "Kashgar" Peninsular, from Sydney.
Shaw Wallace, from Habana.

Tiran Autogene, from Saigon-tandinh.

D. de H. FARRANT,

Superintendent,

Hongkong, Dec. 4, 1919.

TIDE TABLE.

8th to 14th December, 1919.

Day	High Water	Low Water	Day	High Water	Low Water
Mean Time	Mean Time	Mean Time	Mean Time	Mean Time	Mean Time
Mon. 8	10 45	4 9	Mon. 14	10 45	4 9
Tue. 9	9 26	8 7	Tue. 15	11 42	4 51
Wed. 10	0 36	4 7	Wed. 16	11 42	4 51
Thu. 11	1 25	4 7	Thu. 17	11 42	4 51
Fri. 12	2 23	4 8	Fri. 18	11 42	4 51
Sat. 13	3 18	5 0	Sat. 19	11 42	4 51
Sun. 14	4 17	5 2	Sun. 20	11 42	4 51

m morning a afternoon.

SWISS OFFICERS FOR JAPAN.

Swiss newspapers announce that Japan is now recruiting Swiss officers and non-commissioned officers, who are engaging themselves to serve for five years in the Japanese army. They remark that this procedure is contrary to the federal constitution of Switzerland.

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CONSIGNEES.

THE ADMIRAL LINE.

THE Steamship

"ENDICOTT"

having arrived from Seattle via ports, on Dec. 3rd, 1919 consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and/or Extra-Hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, and stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo must produce an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on Monday 8th inst. by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized. No claims will be recognized after the goods have left the Godowns, and cargo delivered on and after Dec. 10th, 1919 will be subject to rent.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

PACIFIC STEAMSHIP CO.

Operating Agents

U. S. Shipping Board.

5th floor, Hotel Mansion.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1919

THE EAST ASIATIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

From

SCANDINAVIAN PORTS

THE Motorship

"PERU"

having arrived, from the above ports. Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by 12th Dec. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 10th Dec. at 10 a.m.

Claims against the Steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

THORESEN & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 5th Dec, 1919.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S MESSAGE.

Washington, Dec. 2.

President Wilson in a message to Congress has recommended the establishment of a budget system. He stated that the Peace Treaty would be discussed in a separate message. He recommended legislation to combat the high cost of living, labour unrest, "radicalism" and readjustment to a peacetime basis. He urged readjustment of the system in order to conform to the fact that the United States is the world's greatest capitalist. The President declared that the Government must recognize collective bargaining for humane objects. Labour must not be treated as a commodity. The workmen's right to strike was inviolate and no Government ought to interfere with it, but it had the predominant right to protect all its people against the challenge of any class. The message sternly warns extremists against direct action in pursuance of their demands.

THE U. S. PRESIDENCY.

Washington, Dec. 4.

The South Dakota Republican State Convention has recommended General Leonard Wood for the Presidency and Mr. Lodge, Governor of Massachusetts, for the Vice-Presidency. The Democratic State Convention has recommended Pres. Wilson and Mr. Marshall for a third term respectively. Both Conventions endorsed the League of Nations. These Conventions mark the opening of the national campaign.

RECOGNITION OF MEXICO.

Washington, Dec. 4.

A resolution asks President Wilson to withdraw recognition of the Carranza Government and charges the Mexican Embassy and Consulate at New York with distributing Bolshevik propaganda in the United States with Carranza's approval.

A MEXICAN MASSACRE.

El Paso, Dec. 2.

In revenge for the execution of Lieut. Angeles on the 26th ult. one thousand soldiers under Villa, attacked the Eighteenth Mexican Regiment at North Santa Rosalia and massacred 674. Only two escaped.

THE SILVER MARKET.

London, Dec. 4.

Montagu's report says: The market remained heavy on news that the United States Government is offering silver dollars in exchange for gold dollars and quotations fell on the 25th to 72½d. cash and 71½d. forward. Subsequently under the influence of a falling United States exchange the price began to climb daily. Continental and trade demands are languishing owing to the dearth of the metal and manufactured goods and foreign silver coin are being realised freely as bullion, so the governing factor here is rather the question of United States exchange than supply and demand.

OBITUARY.

London, Dec. 2.

The death is announced of Field Marshal Sir Evelyn Wood, V. C., at the age of 81. Deceased, a native of Essex, was one of the Empire's foremost soldiers, though, curiously enough, he commented his career in the Navy. He was one of the few Crimean veterans who saw the Empire come successfully through the great European War. After his service in the Crimea at the early age of 18, he fought in many campaigns. He was awarded his V. C. when he was but 21 years of age. Since 1911 he has been Constable of the Tower.

INFECTED SHAVING BRUSHES.

London, Dec. 4.

The Medical Officer of Health for Bradford reports the arrival of a consignment of eighteen Japanese shaving brushes, of which nine were infected with anthrax. The consignment has been destroyed except two which were sold to unknown persons.

SUEZ CANAL DUES.

Paris, Dec. 3.

The Suez Canal Company has decided to restore by 1st March next the concession of a rebate of 2½ francs per ton for vessels traversing the Canal in ballast.

CRICKET.

INTERESTING WEEK-END PLAY.

Owing to great pressure on our space to-day it is not possible to give the usual full details of Saturday's cricket, despite the fact that there were three interesting League matches played together with some friendlies. The following short summaries will have to suffice—

CIVIL SERVICE V. KOWLOON.

This match, played on the Civil Service Ground, resulted in a draw though the home team can be counted unfortunate in not winning. They batted first and thanks chiefly to Wood (69), Hutchison (31), Syme Thomson (37), Piercy and Fincher (17 each) and Ling (16), knocked up 202 for 8 wickets, when they declared. Kowloon did not start in promising style, but Braga (28), Pestonji (41) and Carr (21) held on until light was falling. When the stumps had to be drawn Kowloon had scored 129 for 9 wickets, the last few minutes witnessing determined efforts by the Civil Service bowlers to get the last batsman out. The Kowloon players admit that they were lucky to share the points. Ling for the Civil Servants had the best bowling average of the match, taking four wickets for 9 runs.

H.K.C.C. V. R.G.A.

Playing on their own ground the Club had to acknowledge defeat to the R.G.A. to the tune of 91 runs. The gunners batted first and showed strong batting powers, only one man failing to make double figures. Lieut. Sutherland was an easy top scorer with 50 runs. The innings was declared closed at 179 for six wickets. The Club failed to make any stand against the bowling. In fact Capt. Davies provided the feature of the match by taking 9 wickets for 38 runs, actually performing the "hat trick." Pearce was the highest scorer for his side (21), and was followed by Brand (16). The Club were all dismissed for 88 runs, losing their third consecutive match in the League. Captain Davies' bowling was in a class to itself, but Johnstone, for the Club, took five for 71.

ROYAL NAVY V. C. R. C.

At the C. R. C. the home team also had to acknowledge defeat, the Navy winning by 38 runs. The homesties batted first and compiled 113, towards which M. P. Shin (32) and G. Lee (31) were the largest contributors. The Navy had a very useful batting side and passed their opponents' total at the 7-wicket stage. Lt. Com. Creig played well for his 51, when he retired, and other good scores were made by Pay, Lieut. Robinson (39) and Pay, Lt. Holborn (31). The naval men made 171 before they were dismissed. In the bowling Lee for the Chinese did well to get 6 wickets for 28 runs, and the Rev. Hastings, of the Navy, secured 6 wickets for 40 runs.

The League Table now reads:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	P.
R. G. A.	2	2	—	—	6
Kowloon	2	1	—	1	4
I. R. C.	3	1	1	1	4
Staffs	1	1	—	—	3
Navy	2	1	1	—	3
University	2	1	1	—	3
Civil Service	2	—	—	2	2
C. R. C.	1	—	1	—	0
H. K. C. C.	3	—	3	—	0

FRIENDLIES.

There were several friendly matches played. On the Craigengower ground Staff and Departments drew with the home team, though it was only time that saved Craigengower from defeat. The Staffs batted first and declared at 161 for 6 wickets, fine scores being made by Capt. Cavenaugh (75) and Lt. Col. Coles (54). Craigengower were weak and had 8 wickets down for 82 runs when stumps had to be drawn. Lammert (23) and Basa (19) were the best scorers. There was nothing of note in any of the bowling.

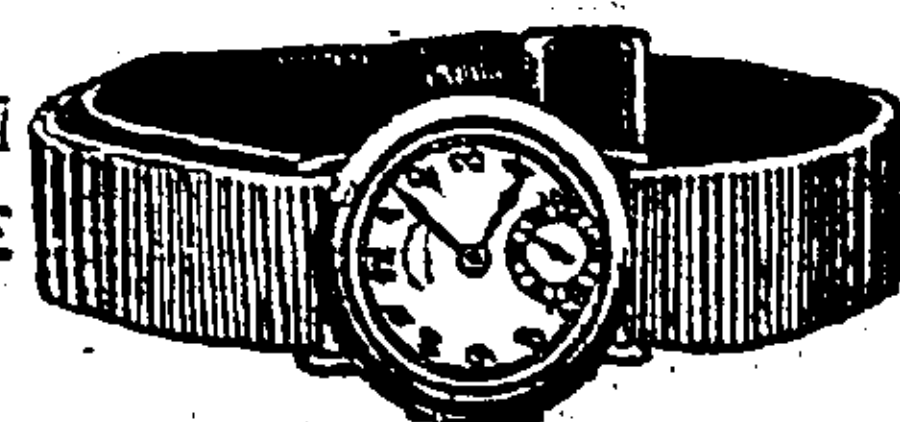


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Connor for the visitors took 4 for 40 and White 2 for 8, whilst Omar for the home team took 3 for 53.

Playing on the Navy ground the Navy's second string drew with the C.R.C. second eleven, though with a little more luck they would have won. The Navy compiled 131, Waters hitting a useful 44. The Chinese replied with 71 for 8 wickets when time saved them. Tam Hon-ze, not out 22, was their best batsman. Wong Po-keung took bowling honours (5 for 27) and Bryant (4 for 22) was a good second.

The University 2nd eleven easily defeated the Club de Recreo on the former's ground.

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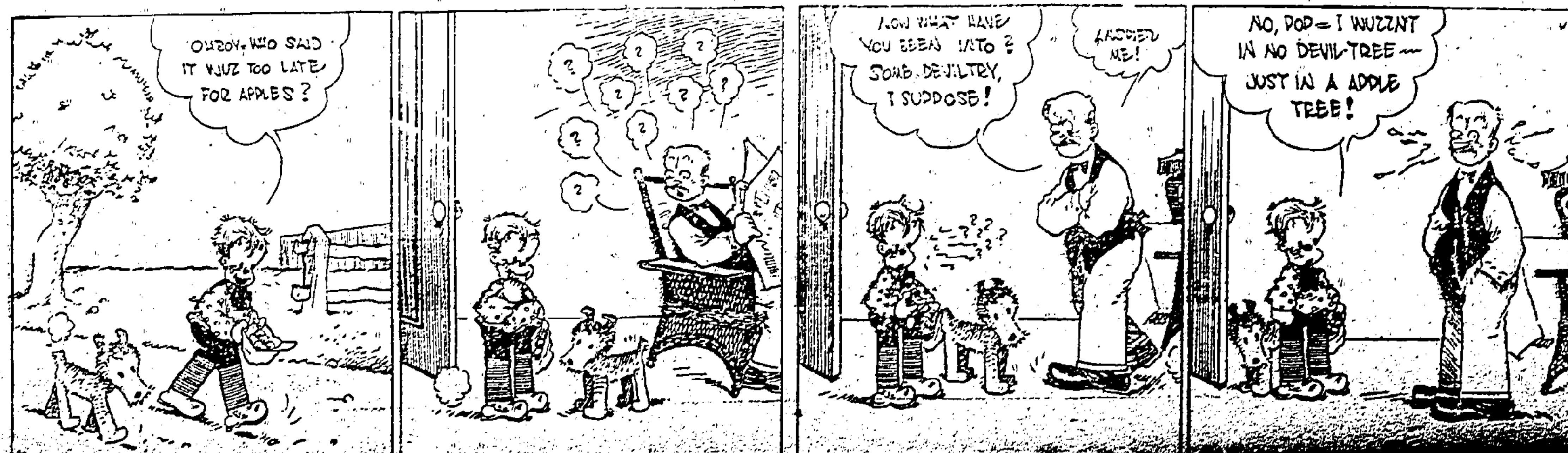
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Batting first the students knocked up 124 to which Pun In-tak (39 not out), and Cheah Toon-lok (38) were the best contributors. In reply the Club de Recreo made 81, of which 22 runs were made by Pinna. As regards bowling, D. K. Samy (5 for 37) and S. K. Chua (5 for 38) shared the University honours, whilst Pinna (4 for 40), and Marques (3 for 37) did best for the Club.

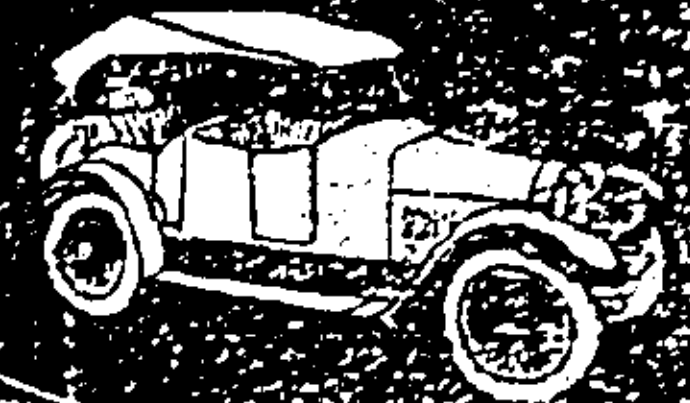
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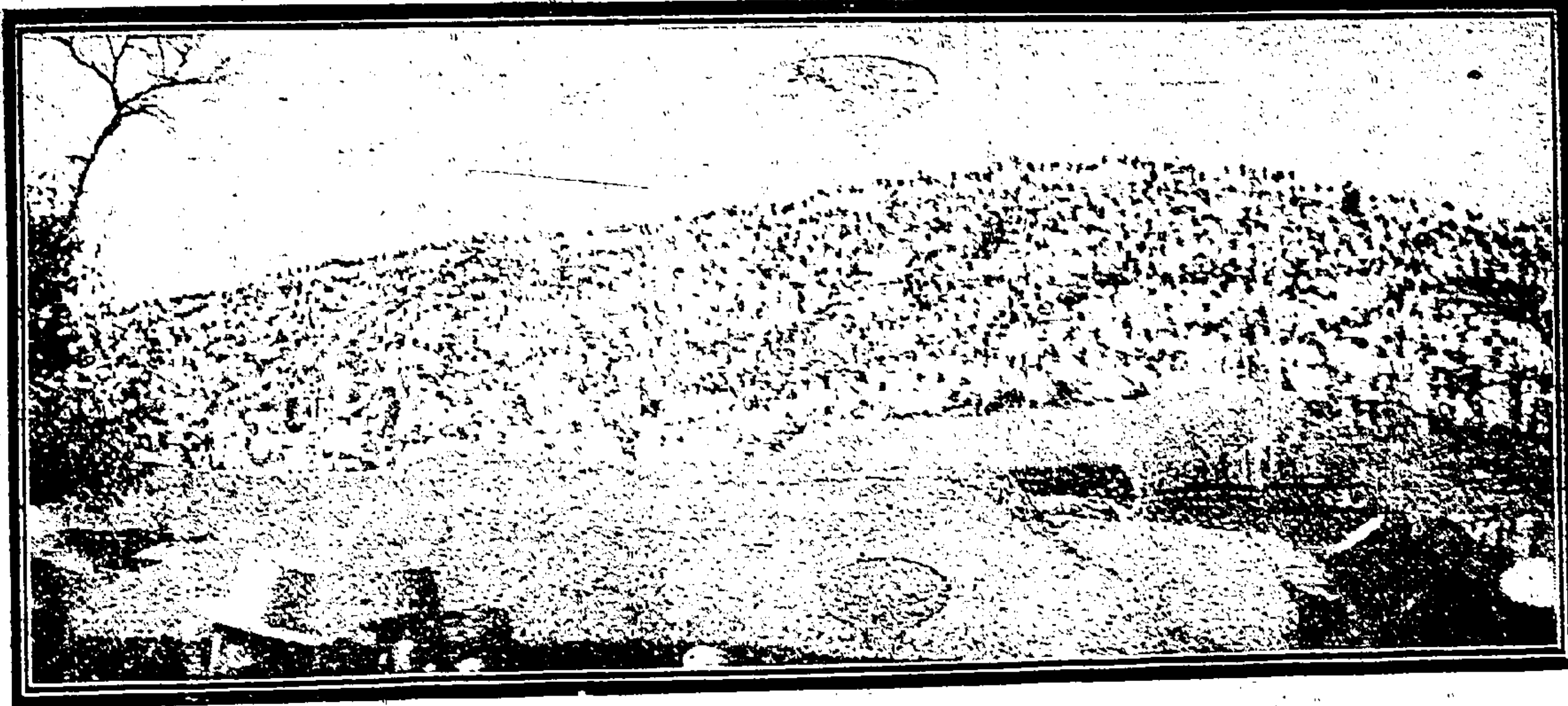


Photo: Tientsin Press.

A huge crowd of Koreans watching the funeral of the late ex-Emperor.



Photo: Underwood and Underwood.

Queen of Spain photographed with her children in the Magdalena Castle, Santander.

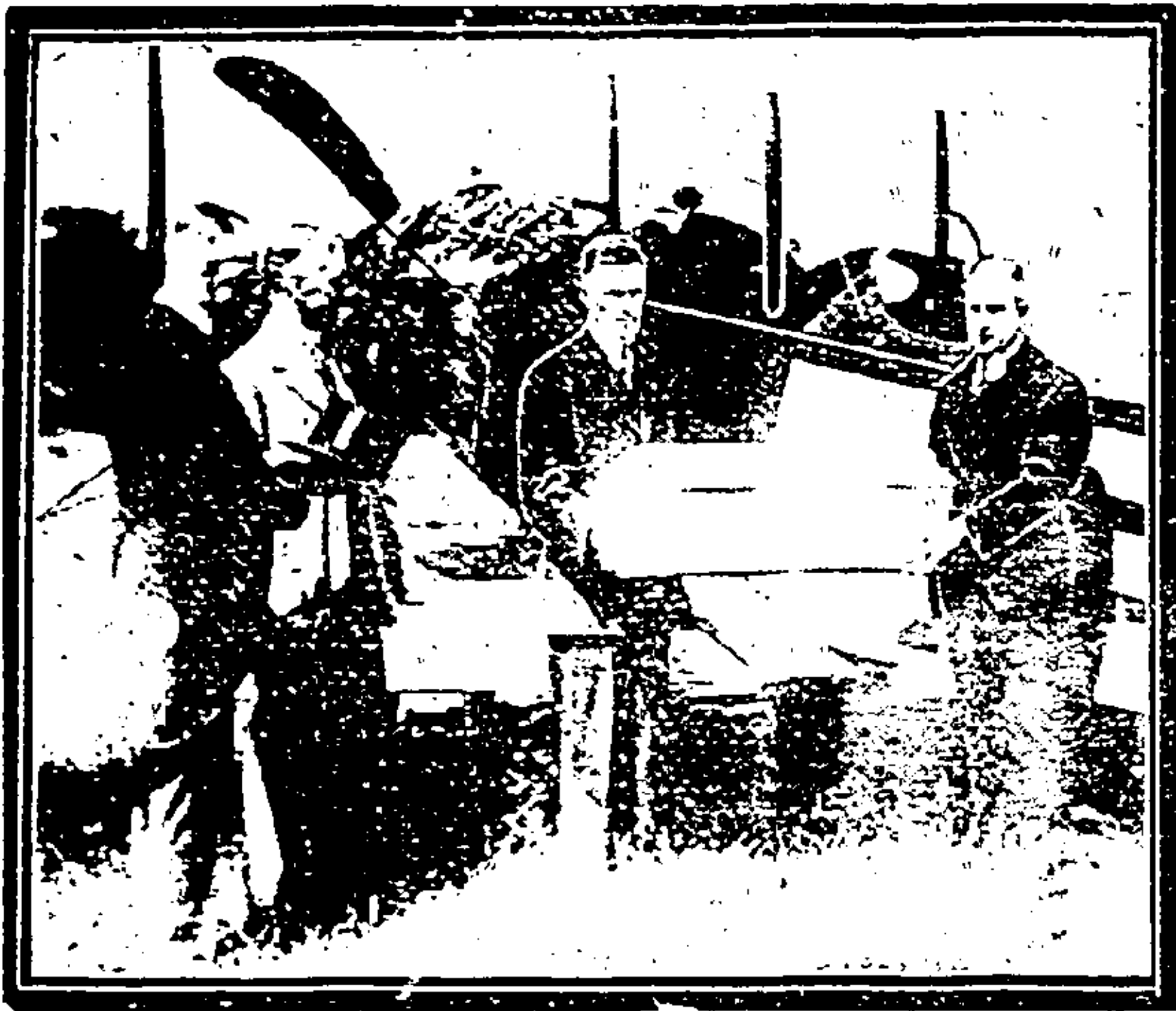


Photo: Underwood and Underwood.

This is a picture of the first airplane funeral. It shows the coffin containing the remains of the four-months' old son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Allan of Toronto, Canada, being placed in an airplane to be carried three miles to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

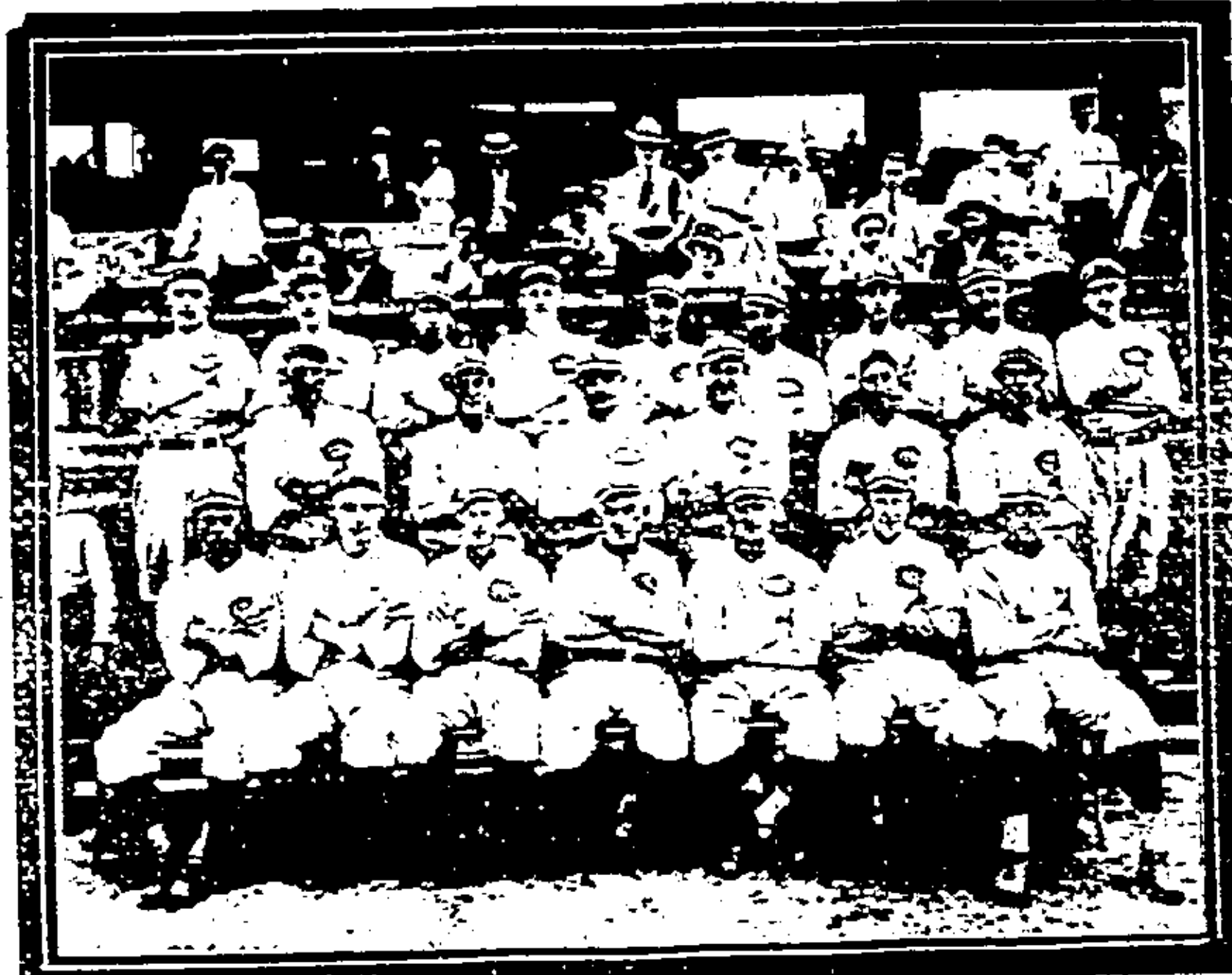
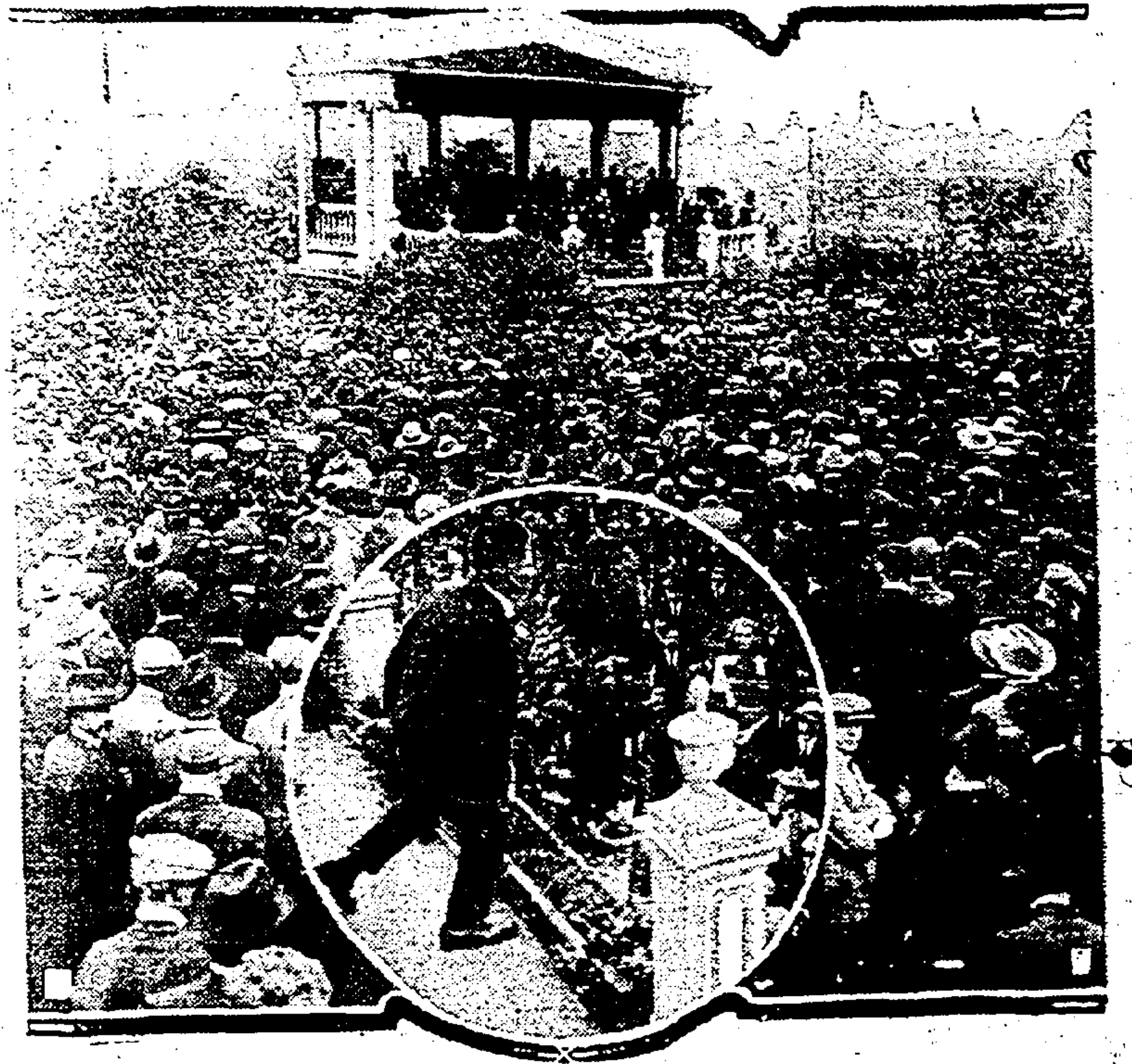


Photo: Underwood and Underwood.

The Cincinnati Reds, U.S. National Baseball League Champions.



Meeting of steel strikers at Gary, Indianapolis. Inset shows one of the leaders addressing the crowd.

THE GREAT NORTH ROAD.

ENGLAND'S IMMEMORIAL HIGHWAY.

During the railway strike in England the good old days came back (with a difference) to the Great North Road. A correspondent of the *Daily News* writes—

"I write this from High Barnet, the first and last stopping-place through a good many centuries of those who go into and come out of London on its northern side by the best of all ways, the King's highway. The town has seen the glory and the decay, and now it sees the triumph of the Great North Road. Railways may come and railways may go, but the road goes on for ever—the most stable thing, perhaps, in all our civilisation."

High Barnet is making a fortune out of the triumph of the Great North Road. Its main street, with a church and a right angle in the middle, is a filter through which the most tremendous volume of road traffic that has ever poured into the metropolis has to pass, leaving behind it as it flows a deposit of what would have been gold before the war, and is now very useful paper.

The street was lined on both sides with a marvellous assortment of stationary things on wheels—big and little motor-cars, enormous lorries, bicycles, country carts piled high with trusses of hay. The motor garages and repair shops are full of bustle day and night. The little shops where they sell "gaspers" are sold out continually. The taverns and hotels find it hard to get big enough supplies of refreshment for man and beast. The trashops are doing a summer Sunday trade on autumn

weekdays. No doubt, the good old days were very good for travellers, and highwaymen, and hostellers, but they can never have quite reached this pitch of splendour.

Between the standing carts and cars flows from sunrise till long after sunset a swift, noisy, odorous river of traffic down the hill and up the hill and past the church. This is on the main road to and from the great industrial North—the place where wealth is literally made. So the wealthy men pour past in their motor-cars, and every car I have seen (and I must have seen hundreds in the course of an hour) has been piled high with luggage and parcels. Sometimes the passengers were half buried in packages and trunks were strapped on behind as well. Most of the lorries (oh, the

stench and dust!) carry a passenger or two as well as goods. You get an idea of the journeys they are making by catching a glimpse as they thunder by of chalked inscriptions: "London and Leicester," "Bedford," "Manchester," and so on.

Nine-tenths of the lorries are plastered with great labels: "Food only," or "Milk." Some make a more personal appeal for safe conduct on the lines of a favourite inscription: "Grub for the Women and Kids." And most of them have their names, just as they used to at the front—"Wo Emma" or "Rolls." But not Royce, or "The Flying Welshman," in endless satirical allusion to the temper and natural history of the lorry tribe. The Great North Road welcomes them all. If it thinks, it must certainly be feeling rather proud of itself.

£10,000 ROBBERY.

VALUABLE FURS TAKEN IN MOTOR CAR.

The latest victims of the gang of thieves who have made recent successful hauls in all parts of London, with the aid of motor cars, are (says a recent *Daily Chronicle*) Stanton and Stanton, Limited, wholesale furriers, of City-road, E.C., who, during the week-end, have lost furs to the value of nearly £10,000.

When the premises were opened on Monday morning it was found that every room in the seven-storied building had been ransacked. The thieves had apparently entered by the fire-escape door on the roof.

It was evident that the thieves were experts in furs, for they showed great discrimination in

their choice, and selected the most valuable furs for removal. Five large white wicker baskets lettered "S. and S." and bearing certain numbers were used to pack the goods. They were carried out through the basement, and removed in a motor car. The fox which prevailed would assist the thieves in their operations.

Later, the empty baskets were found in North-East London. A reward of £250 is offered by the firm in connection with the robbery.

A similar robbery as was reported in the *Daily Chronicle*, was carried out in Manchester.

Marybone police are inquiring into a similar robbery—it is believed by the same gang—from the premises of Messrs. Smith and Groves, Wigmore-street. The thieves got away with a number of fur coats, sable ties, stoles and

muffs, and a quantity of unfinished skunk muffs and stoles.

In the Mile End-road, thieves broke into the warehouse of a clothier named Barner Rosenberg, and stole, amongst other things, nearly 500 yards of melton cloth and coloured serges and tweeds, many melton overcoats and blankets, valued at nearly £500.

DICKENS LIKED BY CHINESE.

A writer in *The Arts Gazette* states that he has been informed by a Foreign Office official, lately returned from China, that some of the works of Charles Dickens have been translated into Chinese with astonishing success, and that "David Copperfield" has proved an especial favourite and is being widely read.

BREVITIES.

The letter "a" is not the first in every language—it comes fourth in the Runic futhork and thirteenth in Ethiopic.

Many descendants of American Tories of revolutionary days live on the islands of Lucaya in the Bahamas.

The abacus or ancient calculating table is still in use in China, India and other parts of the Orient.

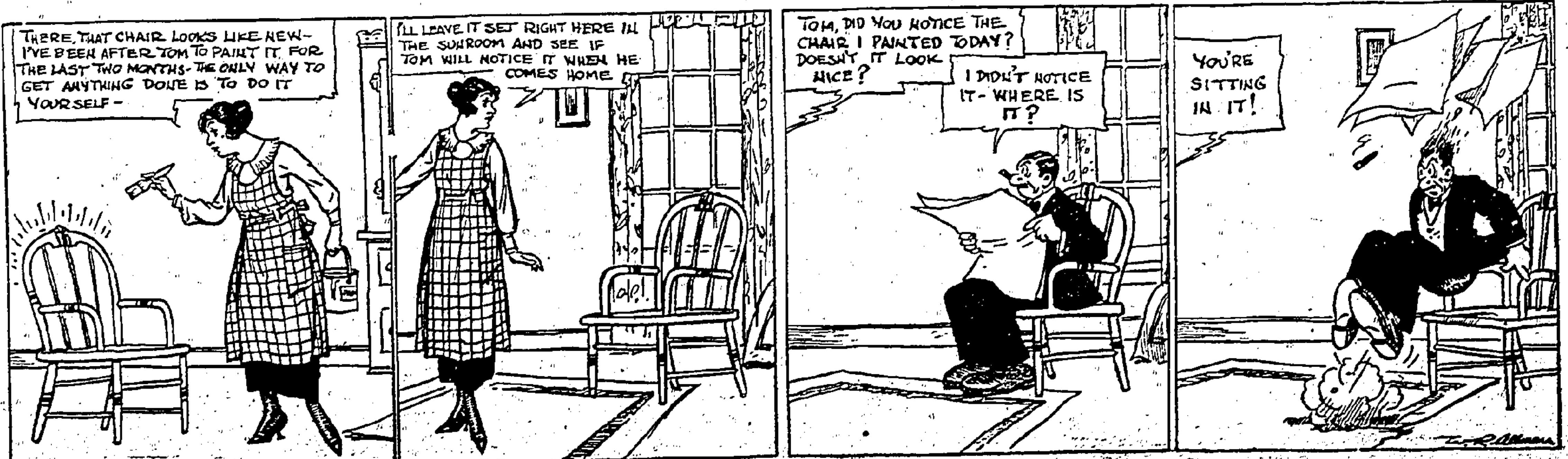
The champion food conservers are the bison or buffalo, which take up a trail and stick to it so as not to trample on the grass needed for their food.

Three hundred inventions, most of them designed to perfect processes in shoemaking, are credited to one man, the late Louis Goddard of Winchester, Mass.

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS

It Proved To Be Quite A Surprise For 'om

BY ALLMAN.

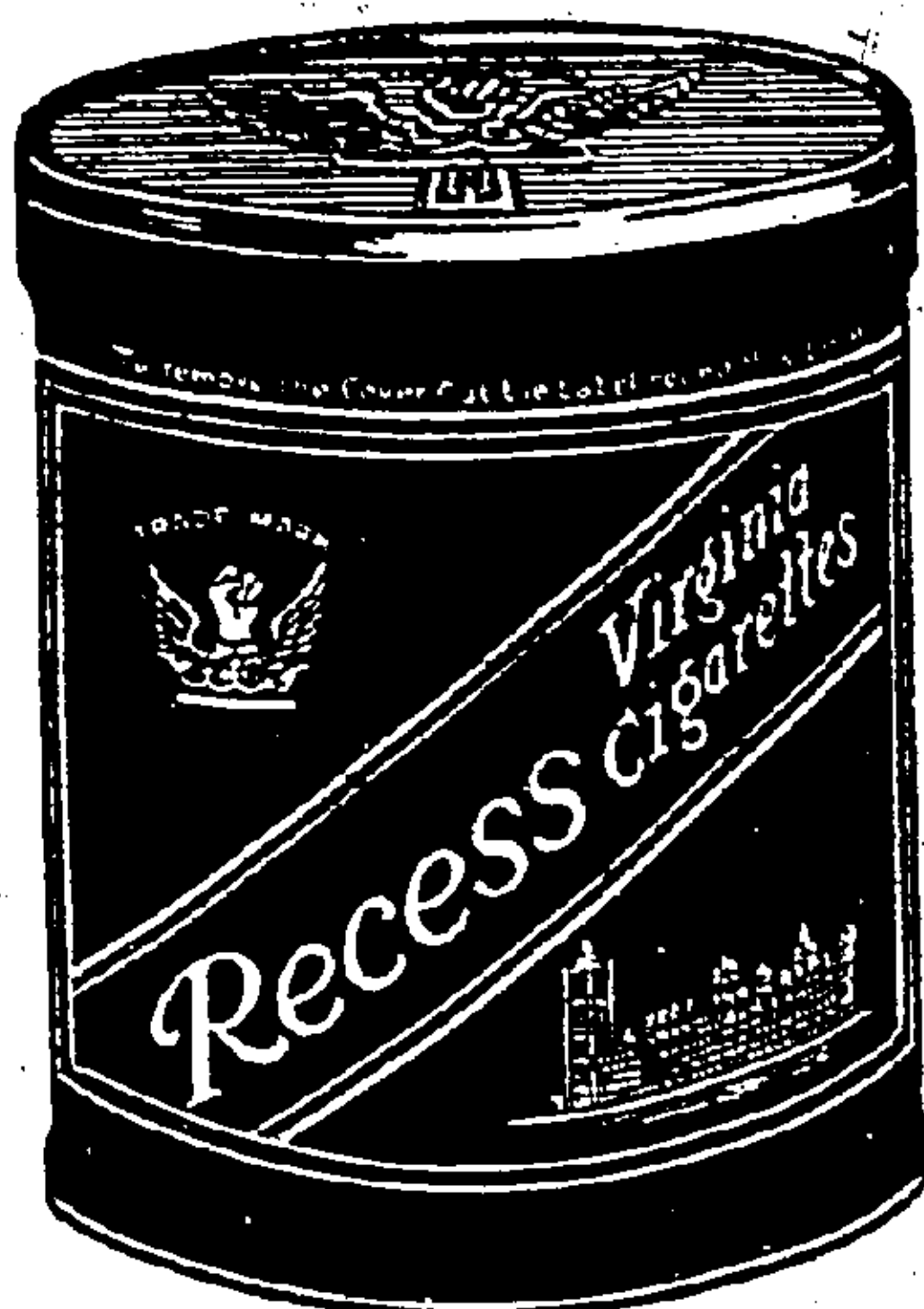


NOTICES.

RECESS No. 44.

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Refineries.
Sugars n. 188
Malabons n. 44

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Langkats n. t. 16
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HONGKONG, DEC. 8, 1919.
WEATHER REPORT.

December 8d. 11h. 11m.—No returns from Yachiook, or Japanese stations. Pressure charges since yesterday are small. The anticyclone over China has weakened slightly.

A depression is still shown over the S. China Sea. It may possibly develop into a small typhoon and produce cyclonic gales between Cochin China and Borneo. Moderate monsoon may be expected along the coast of China and over the S. China Sea.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 75.99 inches against an average of 82.14 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT 10.00 TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.
1. Hongkong to Gap Road, N.E. winds, moderate; fair.

2. Formosa Channel, N.E. winds, light; fair.

3. South coast of China b-y. The same between H.K. and Lanchow as No. 1.

4. South coast of China b-y. The same between H.K. and Hainan as No. 1.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.
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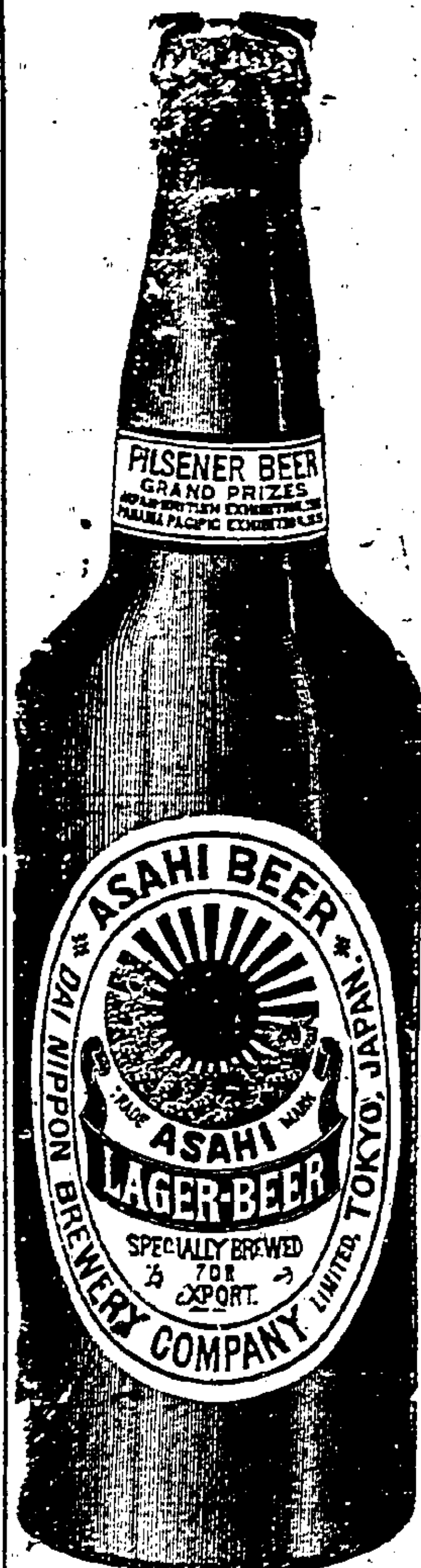
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SHIPPING.

VESSELS ARRIVED.

The CHANGCHOW, (Capt. A. Partridge), brought on Saturday 1,500 tons of wood and salt from Bangkok. She experienced strong monsoon.—Mooring, 39.

Coal to the extent of 1,900 tons was consigned by the French vessel BOURBON, from Hongkong.—Mooring, Quarry Bay Wharf.

Kerosene Oil (2,299 tons) was delivered on Saturday by the Asiatic Petroleum Company's JUNO, from British Papua.—Mooring, North Point.

The other vessels that delivered coal here were the DAITOKU MARU, (1,500 tons) from Keelung, the CANTON MARU, (2,750 tons) from Karatsu, and the s.s. HOSEI MARU, (3,456 tons) from Milke.

The BANSE MARU, arrived on Saturday with 1,580 bags of sesamun seeds and 274 drums of groundnut oil from Kobe. She lost her rudder on the 10th ult. She experienced very strong breeze with high seas.

A number of vessels consigned rice here. The s.s. SHISHAN MARU, had 795 tons from Singapore, the Chinese vessel KWANGLEE, 1,020 tons from CHIHLI, 3,165 from Wuhu (reporting strong weather) and the YEITAI MARU, with 3,396 tons from Rangoon. The agents of the latter vessel are Messrs. H. M. H. Newazee & Co.

CHINESE AT HQME.

Seventy Chinamen were charged at Liverpool recently with opium smoking, and many of them were fined £5 each. One keeper of an opium house was ordered to pay £100 and the others £50 each. These cases were the results of a Saturday night raid, when more than 3 cwt. of opium was confiscated.

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